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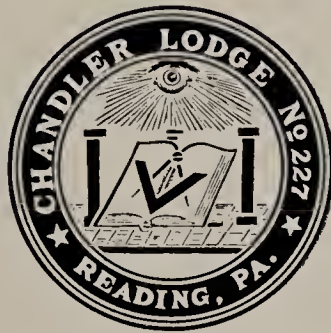
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1848

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Centennial Anniversary



Chandler Lodge No. 227
F. & A. M.



PRESENTED TO

HISTORY
OF
CHANDLER LODGE No. 227
FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS
OF
READING, PENNSYLVANIA



FROM
1848 TO 1948 INCLUDING
THE CENTENNIAL PROCEEDINGS



COMPILED AND EDITED UNDER
AUTHORITY OF THE LODGE

BY
BROTHER EARL E. FAKE,
Past Master and Lodge Historian

FOREWORD

Every care has been taken to make this history as authentic and complete as possible. The research into and investigation of the records and subject matter have been carefully verified in order to fulfil the aim of making this work a record of progress of Chandler Lodge of which the Lodge and its members may be justly proud.

Space does not permit printing the names of all who aided in this project, but I am especially deeply indebted to the following brethren for their invaluable assistance in the research and preparation of the data included in this work: Carl A. Focht, Claude H. Glase, Ralph W. Kinsey, Walter S. Ludwig, John G. Rothermel, Forrest R. Shanaman, Thomas B. Smythe and Fredrick R. Snyder, comprising the History Committee; Michael S. Strebis, Edward L. Kepner, T. R. Hughes, Lodge No. 740, of the "Reading Times" and Nathaniel Gring, Lodge No. 62, of the "Reading Eagle."

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APPROVAL OF GRAND LODGE

THE RIGHT WORSHIPFUL
GRAND LODGE OF THE MOST ANCIENT AND HONORABLE FRATERNITY
OF FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS OF PENNSYLVANIA

MASONIC TEMPLE, PHILADELPHIA 7

GEORGE H. DEIKE

R. W. Grand Master

July 8, 1948.

Mr. John D. Glase,
Worshipful Master of Lodge No. 227,
18 South Fifth Street,
Reading, Penna.

Dear Brother Glase:

I approve the printing of this History and I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate the membership of Chandler Lodge No. 227 on this, their Centennial Anniversary. The history of the Lodge shows that from its inception, your membership has been favored with active Masons. This not only bodes well for Chandler Lodge, No. 227, but for the Fraternity generally.

May your interest continue and ever increase and the years to follow be filled with prosperity.

With kindest fraternal regards, I am

Sincerely and fraternally,

GEORGE H. DEIKE,
Grand Master.



Philadelphia's Masonic Hall 1848

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1848

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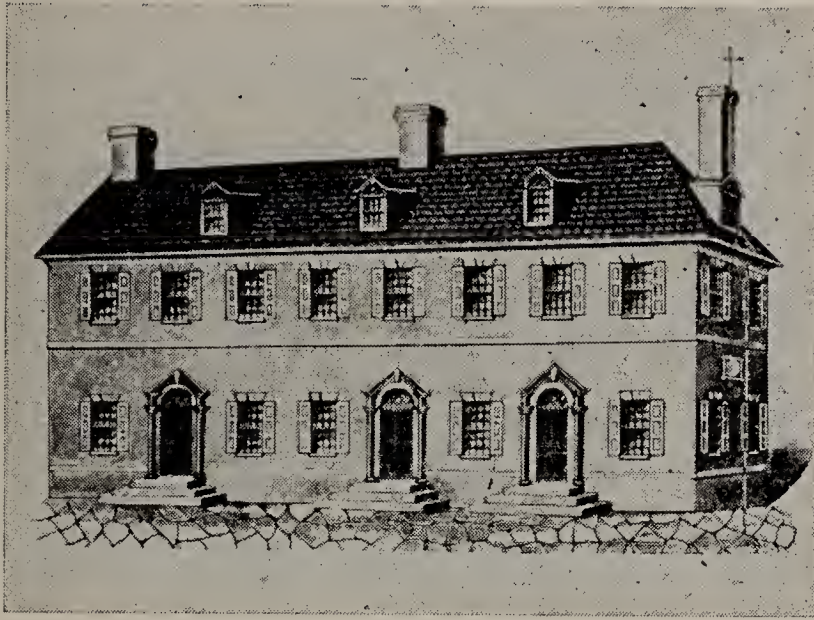
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JOHN THOMSON

R. W. GRAND SECRETARY
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STANLEY W. LOOSE, P.M.

P R E F A C E

At a meeting of the officers of Chandler Lodge in 1940, it was pointed out that Chandler was rapidly approaching its Centennial Anniversary, and that no extensive history had ever been attempted. That, to do so now at so late a date, would require a great amount of time and effort. The Worshipful Master, Brother Douglass E. Weidner, subsequently appointed a committee consisting of Brother Michael S. Strebig, Secretary, and Brother Earl E. Fake, P.M., to gather material and proceed with the project until a full committee could be named at a later date.

The committee immediately began the task of securing the pictures and biographies of the Past Masters, many of whom had passed on to their reward almost a century ago. They succeeded in securing the photographs of all but four.

The committee was brought to its full strength in 1946 and proceeded full steam ahead. It has been their goal to present the facts contained in the minutes in such manner as to be of value and interest to each member. As a whole, it gives a rather complete account of events in Chandler Lodge history since its institution.

The committee appreciates the valuable assistance given so unselfishly by brethren near and far, and in submitting this history it is with the hope that in future years it will be continued and greatly improved.

THE COMMITTEE.

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INTRODUCTION

Seventeen Hundred and Seventeen is the dividing line between the before and after; the old freemasonry and the new; an operative craft slowly expiring and one which began to grow with a new vitality; between the last lingering remains of operative freemasonry and a craft wholly speculative.

No man knows the events which led up to the formation of the first Grand Lodge in London. No minutes were kept during the first six years. The Constitutions, first published in 1723, were republished fifteen years later. In this second edition of 1738 is only a meagre record of the first meeting of the Grand Lodge.

In modern perspective a Grand Lodge is as much a part of the existing order of things as a state or federal government. In 1717, it was a new idea, accompanied by many other new ideas. Some men, some set of men, saw that if the ancient Order were not to die, it must be given a new life through a new organization. Doubtless, they were influenced by Mother Kilwinning Lodge of Scotland, which had assumed and exercised certain functions in regard to her daughter lodges, all of which had Kilwinning as a part of their name and apparently of their obedience.

The newly formed Grand Lodge in London went the whole way. It proposed to and did take command of its lodges. It branched out beyond the jurisdiction originally proposed "within ten miles of London" and invaded the Provinces. It gave enormous powers to the Grand Master. It prohibited the working of the "Master's Part" in private lodges, thus throwing back to the Ancient Annual Assemblies. It divided the craft into entered apprentices and fellowcrafts. It resolved "against all politicks as what never yet conduced to the welfare of the lodge and never will". This was a highly important declaration at the time when every organization in England was taking part in politics, especially in the Jacobite struggle against the House of Hanover.

Finally, the Grand Lodge erased the ancient charge "to be true to God and Holy Church" and substituted "obeying the moral law; never to be a stupid Atheist nor an irreligious Libertine; that is, to be good men and true". This charge was of unparalleled importance;

it founded modern speculative freemasonry on the rock of non-sectarianism and the brotherhood of all men who believe in a common father, regardless of his name or the way in which he is worshipped.

Between 1717 and 1751, the craft spread rapidly, not only in England, but on the continent, and in the colonies, especially colonial America, where both time and people, conditions and social life, provided fallow ground for the seeds of Freemasonry. But in spite of a new life and the wise counsels of the brethren, who restricted the acts, if not the power of the new Grand Lodge, all was not plain sailing. Dissensions appeared. Causes of friction, if not numerous, were important and went deep. In 1751, a rival Grand Lodge was formed. It came into being with a brilliant stroke, for it chose the name, "The Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons". Calling itself "Antient" and the other body "modern", at once enlisted the support of hundreds of the brethren who did not go beneath the surface to learn which was really which. Then arose that peculiar and confused terminology. The original, the older, the most ancient Grand Lodge, was called the "Modern" Grand Lodge, and the newer body was called "Antient".

The new Grand Lodge kept the religious issue alive; by implication, it made the "Moderns" seem irreligious. The "Antients" were a Christian body and its constitutions and documents contained many distinctly Christian sentiments and references.

The benefits which came from this schism seem today to be greater than the evils. When one grand lodge established lodges on war ships, the other formed army lodges which carried Freemasonry to far places; when one body started a school for girls, the other organized a school for boys—both still in existence, by the way; as one grand lodge reached out to the Provinces, the other cultivated Scotland and Ireland. Both worked tirelessly in the American colonies.

The final reconciliation took place in Freemasons' Hall in London on St. John's Day, December 27, 1813. The Two Grand Lodges filed together into the Hall; the articles of union were read, the Duke of Kent retired as grand master in favor of the Duke of Sussex, who was elected grand master of the United Grand Lodge.

A united Freemasonry agreed that forever more it would have no religious tests and would "welcome to her doors and admit to her privileges worthy men of all creeds and every race".

In 1815, a new book of constitutions proclaimed to all the world forever the non-sectarian character of Freemasonry in this charge concerning God and religion: "Let a man's religion or mode of worship be what it may; he is not excluded from the order, provided he believes in the Glorious Architect of heaven and earth, and practices the sacred duties of morality".

As far as can be ascertained at this time, Freemasonry was at work in the American colonies in 1730. The decade following saw the Masonic institution firmly established in Massachusetts, Pennsylvania and Georgia; we have less substantiated accounts of its existence in New York and Virginia. Freemasonry was still feeling its way, so to speak, as compared with the more decisive developments and official utterances of later years.

The doctrine of exclusive jurisdiction, with which we in the United States are so familiar, had not yet been broached, and as a result, we witness conditions in colonial Masonry which would be perplexing were we to judge them by present day customs and practices. Provincial grand lodges in Massachusetts and Pennsylvania went outside their immediate localities to charter lodges. Massachusetts lodges were established in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Antigua, Connecticut, Rhode Island, South Carolina and even in Pennsylvania. The Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania spread into Delaware, Georgia, Maryland, New Jersey, South Carolina and Virginia.

It is a matter of pride with us Pennsylvanians that Chandler Lodge was instituted in the state in which the first Masonic Lodge of an American Colony was founded.

In the minutes of the Grand Lodge of England for June 5, 1730, is recorded the deputation issued to Daniel Coxe, Esq., to be "Provincial Grand Master of the Provinces of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania in America". This is important because it shows that the Grand Lodge of England knew and acted upon the fact that there were a number of regular English Masons residing in these Colonies, whom it was desired to have affiliated with the mother

grand lodge through local subordinate lodges without further correspondence with the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge of England.

Coxe visited the Grand Lodge of England on January 29, 1731, and was received as the "Provincial Grand Master of North America".

Benjamin Franklin did more to establish Freemasonry in America than any other man of his time. He was probably initiated in February, 1730, and was probably elected junior warden June 24, 1731. One year later he was appointed Junior Grand Warden of the then existing Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania—which was nothing more than St. John's Lodge of Philadelphia, functioning as a Grand Lodge. He became Grand Master in June, 1734.

Franklin was an active and zealous Mason. Frequent accounts of the craft appeared in the journal which he published and he made a lasting contribution to Masonic literature by reprinting Anderson's "Book of Constitution" in 1734. His work was recognized when he was reappointed Provincial Grand Master of Pennsylvania on June 10, 1749, by Thomas Oxnard, Provincial Grand Master for the United States.

In turn, he was appointed Deputy Grand Master by William Allen in 1750 and held office for many years thereafter. While he was abroad, he received other Masonic honors, such as membership in the Lodge of the Nine Sisters in Paris, France, and served as venerable master of that lodge in 1779 and 1780.

FIRST GRAND LODGE IN PENNSYLVANIA

The first Grand Lodge on record in our state is dated from June 24th, 1731, with William Allen as Grand Master. It never had more than four lodges under its jurisdiction. It became quiescent during the course of years, its only outstanding activity being the erection of a three-story brick building in 1755, which was sold and later served during the Revolutionary War as a jail for Quaker prisoners.

The continual stream of settlers from England brought members of the "Antient" Grand Lodge to Pennsylvania. The brethren

of the lodges already established in Philadelphia were, broadly speaking, of a class socially exclusive. The newcomers were of a different class and many of them being "Antients" or made in military lodges chartered by the Ancients and by the Grand Lodge of Ireland, had a preference for the "Antient" workings. The dissension in Masonic ranks of the mother country was transferred to the New World about 1757, when certain brethren of Lodge No. 4 were accused by brethren of Lodges No. 1 and 2 of being "Ancients". The accused brethren, not denying their "Ancient" preferences, petitioned the Grand Lodge of Ancient and Accepted Freemasons of England for a charter, which was granted June 7, 1758, and became Lodge No. 1 (No. 69 on the roster of the present Grand Lodge).

The Grand Lodge of Ancient York Freemasonry in the Province of Pennsylvania was formed February 13, 1760, and was warranted July 15, 1761. The warrant of this date was lost, having been sent by a ship captured by the French; a second one became lost in transit; a third dated June 20, 1764, was finally received, but William Ball had been installed as Provincial Grand Master on February 2, 1764. Lodges were subsequently chartered in Pennsylvania and neighboring colonies.

Following the American Revolution, the Provincial Grand Lodge declared itself independent, and in 1786 transformed itself into what is now "The Right Worshipful Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania".

To Lodge No. 62, our Mother Lodge, goes the honor of being the oldest Masonic Lodge in Berks County. This Lodge was constituted April 9, 1794, and justly boasts of an enviable record indeed. It was followed by Lodge No. 66 of Caernarvon Township on June 1, 1795, which moved to Morgantown in 1823, and had its warrant vacated in 1837.

After half a century of progress in Freemasonry within one Lodge, it was deemed necessary to open a new Lodge. Accordingly five brethren of Lodge No. 62 with two other brethren, withdrew from their Lodges and petitioned the Grand Lodge for a warrant, which was granted.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Free and accepted masons
of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and masons
jurisdiction thereunto belonging
We the undersigned, being regular master masons, formerly
members of the lodges mentioned against our respective
names, and at this time not members of any lodge, pray
for a warrant of constitution, empowering us to meet as a
regular lodge, at Reading, to be called Chandler, and
there to discharge the duties of masonry in a constitutional
manner, according to the forms of this order, and the rules
and regulations of the grand lodge. And we have nomi-
nated, and do recommend brother John C. D. Lilly to be
the first master, brother Daniel H. Seger to be the first
senior warden, and brother Jacob H. Greiner to be the first junior
warden of the said lodge. The prayer of the petition
being granted, we promise strict conformity to the ancient
land marks of the order, and the rules and regulations
of the grand lodge.

J. C. D. Lilly, Lodge No. 62. Penna.

Daniel H. Seger

Jacob H. Greiner, Lancaster Lodge No. 57. Ohio.

Robert Caldwell, Reading "No. 62. Penna.

J. E. Arcena

David C. Giehl
Reading Lodge No. 62

We recommend, that the prayer of the above petition be granted.

A. L. Richter

Mrs. M. Gallan

David F. Gordon

at a meeting of Lodge No. 62 held at Reading on the 9
th of March, A.D. 1848, A.S. 1848.

On Motion made and seconded. Resolved, that the above
petition be recommended to the favorable consideration of the
R. W. Grand Lodge.

Amos E. Riff- W. M.

Alfred William Riff
Secretary

Facsimile of Chandler Lodge's Application to the Grand Lodge of
Pennsylvania for a Warrant.

Chandler Lodge, No. 227, Reading, Pennsylvania, was organized on May 4, 1848. The ceremonies of installation of officers of the Lodge were performed by the Right Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Peter Fritz, accompanied by his officers. The following seven brethren were installed as officers to serve the balance of the term of the Masonic year, ending on St. John's Day next: J. O. D. Lilly, Worshipful Master; D. H. Feger, Senior Warden; J. F. Greiner, Junior Warden; Robert Caldwell, Treasurer; David E. Stout, Secretary. The Worshipful Master appointed the following: E. H. Mason, Senior Deacon; S. E. Ancona, Junior Deacon, and H. Witman, No. 62, Tyler.

After the installation of officers, Brother Joseph R. Chandler, Past Grand Master, of Philadelphia, appeared at the request of the members of Chandler Lodge and delivered a most excellent address on the vital principles of Masonry—Faith, Hope, and Charity—which at the request of the Lodge was published. After the lecture, the Lodge adjourned to partake of a supper prepared at the house of Brother Andrew Davis.

Thus, a new lodge was born, and prospered from its inception. For a century the work of the craft has been successfully transmitted through each succeeding Worshipful Master, in its original simplicity and excellence. Chandler does not boast of change or improvement. Rather it takes pride in saying that we today are what our brethren were a century ago, guided by the landmarks (those peculiar marks of distinction by which Masons are separated from the profane world) a universal language and universal laws; governed by customs, rules and regulations as they were from the beginning.

From the vantage point of today, it is interesting to look back one hundred years and see what the town of Reading was like when Chandler Lodge was constituted.

It had been incorporated a city just a year before on March 16, 1847. It boasted a population of 13,044 and the principal portion of its territory was included between Walnut and Chestnut streets and Third and Ninth streets.

No longer was it necessary to cross the Schuylkill by fords, for two wooden bridges now spanned the stream; one at the foot of

Penn Street erected in 1815, and one connecting with Bingaman Street, erected in 1831. Both of these bridges were toll bridges, just as were the three turnpikes, and in 1848 there had been a special effort to get rid of this annoying charge which met with no success.

The old stage coach and the canals were about to give way to the speedier "iron horse". The Pottsville to Philadelphia railroad had been completed six years previously. With it had come the speedier means of communication—the telegraph, established in May, 1847.

Then, as now, market day was a big day in Reading. The two market houses on Penn Square had just been rebuilt two years previously, and in their stalls offered on Wednesday and Saturday a profusion of food stuffs, while the "Square" was a bedlam of lowing cattle, bleating sheep, cackling chickens, grunting swine and the shouts and noise of the selling, mingling with the thick clouds of dust which changed to deep mire on rainy days.

Reading had no City Hall until 1870, but boasted a new Court House, superior to most in the state, costing \$59,000. It also erected an imposing county prison in City Park to replace the one at Fifth and Washington in 1848. Safeguarding the town was in the hands of the two constables, who wore no uniforms, and who spent several hours before and after midnight calling out the hours and conditions of the weather in a low, monotonous tone of voice.

The first public school building had been erected ten years previously, and there were now seventeen public and thirteen private schools.

The people of the town lived busy, simple lives. Practically everyone did gardening on the lots upon which his home stood, or on some nearby lot. Fruit trees were numerous and preserving fruit was common. Nearly everybody boiled applebutter in the fall and crammed his cellar with home made sausages, pudding, scrapple, ham and mince meat. Housewives prided themselves on good feeding.

There were no street lights, and in the home tallow candles, oil and camphene lamps were used. But a new era was about to begin, for that year the officers of Chandler Lodge were to lay the cornerstone for the Gas Works and gas was introduced for lighting.

There were few societies; people still regarded secret ones with suspicion. In addition to the two Masonic Lodges, there was only the closely related Odd Fellows lodge. Since there were no lodges out in the county, the lodges in the city attracted many members from the rural districts.

During the century since Chandler Lodge came into existence Masonry has grown and flourished in Reading and Berks County. The following list depicts that growth.

MEMBERSHIP OF MASONIC UNITS

<i>Name</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Member- ship</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>When Instituted</i>
1.	62	606	Reading	April 9, 1794
2. Chandler	227	794	Reading	May 4, 1848
3. Williamson	307	336	Womelsdorf	April 2, 1857
4. Teutonia	367	172	Reading	May 30, 1866
5. Huguenot	377	380	Kutztown	Nov. 29, 1866
6. Vaux	406	351	Hamburg	March 18, 1868
7. St. John's	435	587	Reading	March 1, 1869
8. Union	479	201	Birdsboro	Nov. 10, 1871
9. Reading	549	682	Reading	Dec. 28, 1876
10. Isaac Hiester	660	599	Reading	Oct. 17, 1908
11. Puritan	740	222	Reading	Sept. 25, 1925
12. Boyertown	741	152	Boyertown	Nov. 9, 1925

ROYAL ARCH MASONS

1. Reading Chapter No. 152	388	Nov. 20, 1827
2. Excelsior Chapter No. 237	404	Dec. 15, 1871

KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

1. DeMolay No. 9	354	Feb. 7, 1854
2. Reading No. 42	375	Sept. 14, 1871

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTER MASONS

1. Creigh Council No. 16	275	June 14, 1861 and Dec. 21, 1920
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SCOTTISH RITE

1. Reading Lodge of Perfection	2913	Sept. 20, 1906
2. C. Gilbert Steffe Council	3126	Sept. 23, 1915
3. Francis Marion Highley Chapter	3166	Sept. 23, 1915
4. Reading Consistory	3165	Sept. 18, 1918



JOSEPH R. CHANDLER

Chandler Lodge was named in honor of Past Grand Master Joseph R. Chandler. Brother Chandler was born in Kingston, Mass., August 25, 1792, where he attended the public schools and became a teacher. He located in Philadelphia about 1815, and with his wife conducted a successful school for about ten years. In 1821, he published a "Grammar of the English Language". While he was associated with the U. S. Gazette from 1822 to 1847, he entered public life, and served in Philadelphia City Council from 1832 to 1848; in Congress from 1848 to 1854, and was appointed minister to the Five Sicilies in 1858 by President Buchanan. He served as a delegate to the State Constitution Convention in 1836. A gifted writer and lecturer, he was active in prison reform.

Brother Chandler was entered in Columbian Lodge, Boston, Mass., October 28, 1813; crafted November 4, and was made a Master Mason January 6, 1814.

He became a member of Phoenix Lodge, No. 130, under this Grand Jurisdiction, July 17, 1822, and was elected Worshipful Master of that Lodge on December 21, 1825, and re-elected December 20, 1826. This Grand Lodge elected him Junior Grand Warden in December 1836; Senior Grand Warden, December 1837; Deputy Grand Master, in December 1838, and again in December, 1839. He served as Right Worshipful Grand Master for two terms, commencing in December, 1840 and terminating in December, 1842.

His addresses to the craft during his administration as Grand Master are among the most cultured and interesting of the Masonic literature of this Jurisdiction. His labors for the craft were distinguished for their value and influence. He gave to it a large portion of his ripened manhood.

He was an earnest, devoted, thorough man in all the work he was called upon to perform in the various positions of honor and trust he filled. His Masonic record is a lesson and an example.

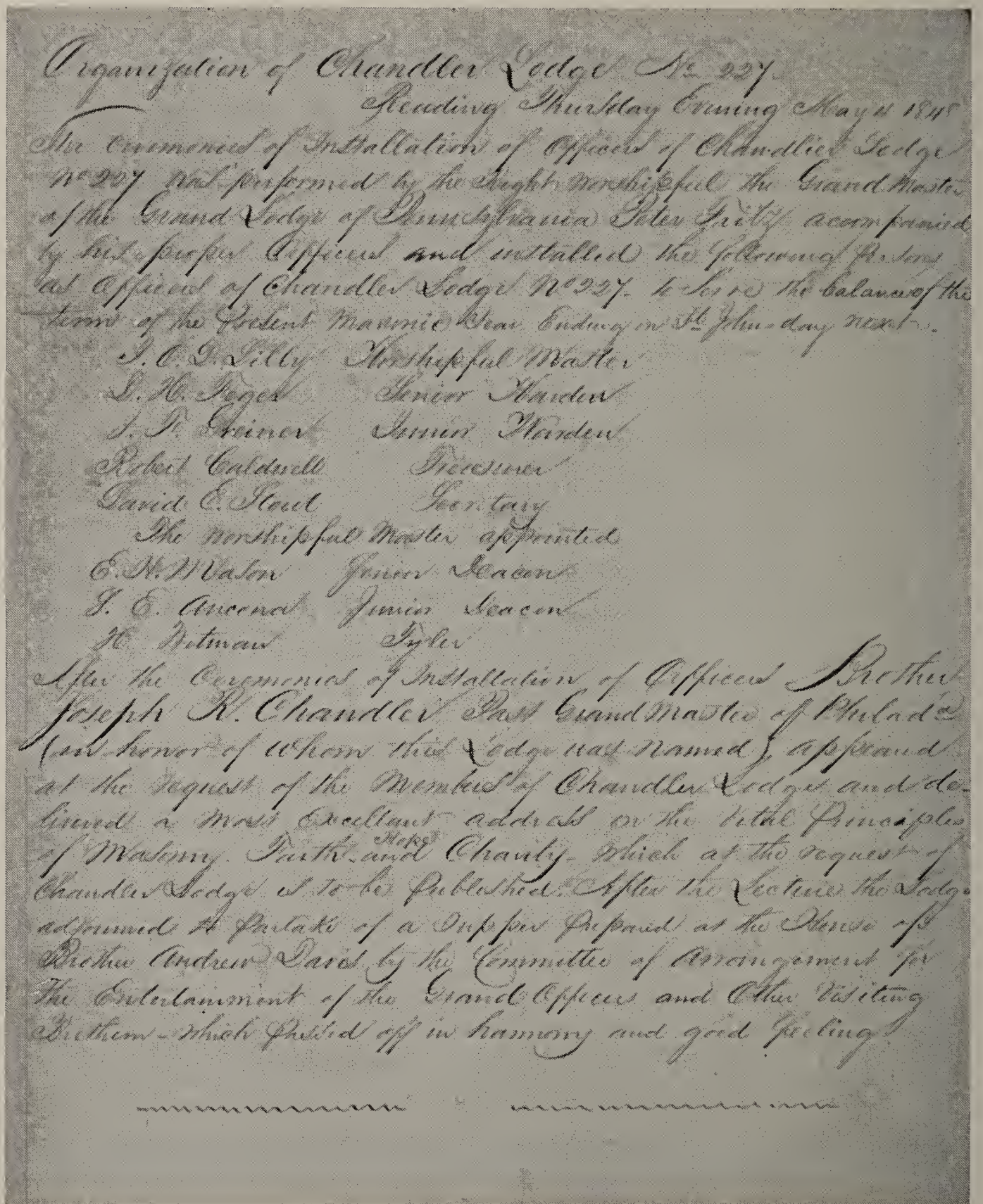
In the fullness of years, after a life of exceptional usefulness, of high character and a stainless reputation, distinguished as a statesman and a true philanthropist, our Past Grand Master Joseph R. Chandler died in Philadelphia on the 10th day of July 1880. (G. L. Memorial by R. W. P. G. M. Brother Richard Vaux).



READING in 1848

(View from West Reading end of Old Covered Bridge over the Schuylkill River.)

CHANDLER'S FIRST RECORD



Reproduction of Minutes of First Meeting.

CHAPTER I

1848-1858

The first Stated Meeting of Chandler Lodge, No. 227 was held Thursday evening, May 11, 1848. The Chairs were occupied by the seven Charter members as follows; John O. D. Lilly, W.M.; Daniel H. Feger, S.W.; Jacob F. Greiner, J.W.; Robert Caldwell, Treasurer; David E. Stout, Secretary; Eliphalet H. Mason, S.D., and Sydenham E. Ancona, J.D. Brother H. Witman, a member of Lodge No. 62, acted as Tyler. There were present six visitors. Extracts from the minutes read as follows:

“The Committee appointed at a previous meeting of organization of Chandler Lodge to make the necessary arrangements for the Reception of the Grand Officers and such other duties connected with the installation of Officers, reported as follows: that they have attended to their duties assigned to them, and submit the following:

Expenses for 19 suppers at Brother Andrew Davis	\$19.00
Expenses for Refreshments at Mineral Springs	8.00
Expenses for Use of Piano	2.00
TOTAL EXPENSES.	\$29.00

which on motion was ordered to be paid out of the funds of the Lodge, and the Committee continued until all business is settled”.

“On Motion which was agreed to, the By-Laws of Lodge No. 62 were adopted until such others as this Lodge may see fit to substitute in place.

“On Motion the Committee on By-Laws (which was appointed at a previous meeting of organization) be authorized to have all printing done required for this Lodge, which was agreed to. Also to secure a suitable seal for Chandler Lodge”.

BY-LAWS OF 1848

The following are the By-Laws adopted by the Lodge, December 14, 1848, and Rules of Order.

ARTICLE I.

Time of Stated Meetings.

The stated meetings of the Lodge shall be held on the first Monday in every month. From the 25th day of March until the 25th day of September, the hour of meeting shall be at seven o'clock P. M.; and from the 25th day of September until the 25th day of March, the hour of meeting shall be at six o'clock P. M. The Lodge shall be opened within thirty minutes after the time appointed.

Officers.**ARTICLE II.**

The Worshipful Master, Senior and Junior Wardens, Treasurer and Secretary shall be chosen by ballot at the stated meeting next preceding Saint John's Day in December annually, and in the manner provided by the Rules of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. (See Ahiman Rezon, page 132).

ARTICLE III.**Duty of the Worshipful Master.**

The Master shall appoint the Deacons, Chaplain, Masters of Ceremony, Stewards, (not exceeding three) and Tyler. He shall have full power to determine the order of business, regulate all debate, as well as the conduct and work of the members of the Lodge, and appoint committees, where the members of the same do not exceed three.

Duty of the Secretary.**ARTICLE IV.**

The Secretary shall keep fair and correct minutes of the proceedings of the Lodge, issue summons for each Stated Meeting, special or adjourned Meeting, record all the By-Laws, rules and regulations made by the Lodge, and perform such other services appertaining to his Office, as the Lodge may direct. He shall receive all monies due the Lodge and may pay the same to the Treasurer, (who shall give him a receipt therefor.) He shall keep a register of all the members of the Lodge, showing the name, age, occupation, date of Entering, Passing, and Raising, or admission; also the withdrawal, death or expulsion, as the case may be. He shall deliver all books, papers, memorandums, vouchers and other documents, or property of the Lodge, in his possession, to his successor, or, in default thereof to such other person as the Lodge may direct, and as compensation for his services, he shall be paid one dollar for each meeting of the Lodge.

Duty of the Treasurer.**ARTICLE V.**

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep fair and correct accounts of all monies by him received and paid on account of the Lodge; and he shall pay no monies without an order, signed by the Worshipful Master, and counter signed by the Secretary.

He shall also have his Books and Vouchers ready for examination, at such times as the Lodge may direct; such examination to take place at least once every twelve months; he shall pay over to his successor in Office, all Books, Monies and other property belonging to the Lodge, and give sufficient security for the faithful performance of his duty, if the Lodge requires it.

Duties of the Tyler.**ARTICLE VI.**

There shall be one brother appointed as Tyler whose duty it shall be to serve all notices, and perform such other services as appertain to his Office, or such duties as may be assigned him by the Worshipful Master or Lodge from time to time. He shall receive one dollar for every Stated or Extra meeting that he attends to the duties of his Office.

Financial Committees.**ARTICLE VII.**

The Master, Senior and Junior Wardens shall be a standing Committee of accounts; they shall report the general state of the funds of the Lodge, at the stated meeting in January.

ARTICLE VIII.

Petitions for Initiation.

Section 1. A person petitioning for Initiation in Masonry, shall be recommended by two Master Masons, who are members, at a stated meeting of the Lodge, whereupon, a committee of three Master Masons, who are members, shall be appointed to make the necessary inquiries and report thereon at the next stated meeting. Should the report be favorable, he shall be balloted for, and if unanimously approved, initiated.

Provided, such person failing to come forward for initiation for three Stated Meetings after his election; (unless, in the opinion of the Lodge, sufficient cause be shown for such neglect), shall not be considered elected.

Section 2. Every person Initiated into the Mysteries of Free Masonry in this Lodge, by virtue of a dispensation from the Grand Master, shall pay the same fees as if he had petitioned the Lodge for that purpose. But the brother so initiated shall not be considered a member of this Lodge, unless regularly admitted agreeably to Section 1 of this Article.

ARTICLE IX.

Membership.

Section 1. If any Master Mason be desirous of becoming a member of this Lodge he shall send his petition in writing, signed by himself, and recommended by at least two Master Masons, Members of this Lodge; and after such petition has been read, there shall be three Master Masons appointed, of which the recommending brethren shall not be, to inquire into the petitioners character and qualifications, and report the next stated night of meeting; if favorable to be balloted for, and if elected he shall be admitted a member, on producing sufficient evidence of his former good standing.

Section 2. An entered apprentice who was initiated in another Lodge, and who shall receive in this Lodge the degree of a Fellow Craft, shall pay Ten Dollars. A Fellow Craft receiving the degree of a Master Mason in this Lodge, shall pay Five Dollars.

ARTICLE X.

Dues.

Section 1. Each and every member of this Lodge shall pay to the Secretary for every Stated Meeting, Twelve and a half cents, and no member shall be advanced in Masonry until he has duly qualified himself, in the degree which he has previously received.

Section 2. No member shall be allowed to vote at any election of Officers or be eligible to any Chairs in the Lodge, unless he has previously paid off all his arrearages; and whoever neglects so to do, after he has been properly notified of the same, shall be suspended or expelled, as the Lodge may deem expedient.

ARTICLE XI.

Of Withdrawing.

Any member wishing to withdraw from the Lodge, shall declare his intention in writing, at a stated meeting, and upon producing, at the next stated meeting, a certificate from the Treasurer of his having paid his dues, or the Treasurer stating such to be paid, his request

shall be granted. Provided, nevertheless, that when it appears necessary for a brother to make a sudden and unexpected departure from the City, his request may be granted at the meeting to which he makes application, and the said brother may receive a Lodge Certificate from the Secretary, for which he shall pay One Dollar.

ARTICLE XII.

Visitors.

No visitor shall be admitted unless he is known to the Master, or vouched for, in open Lodge, by a Master Mason, who shall distinctly state his degree. If he cannot be so vouched for, the Master may appoint a committee of two Master Masons to examine him, and if their report be favorable, he shall be admitted, but no brother whatever shall be permitted to accompany the committee, unless by particular leave from the Master.

ARTICLE XIII.

Stewards.

There shall be two Master Masons, members of this Lodge, appointed Stewards, whose duty it shall be to receive directions from the Worshipful Master, and provide for the Lodge accordingly.

ARTICLE XIV.

Widows and Orphans.

The widow of any deceased member of this Lodge shall, if the funds permit, receive the same benefit as her husband was entitled to; and should he or she leave a child or children, they shall be entitled to the same.

This Lodge will further provide a trade for such child, or some calling whereby he, she or they, may obtain an honest livelihood.

And this Lodge will, as much as possible supply the place of the deceased parent.

ARTICLE XV.

Committee of Grievance.

That the voice of discord may not be heard amongst us, the Worshipful Master and Officers, shall be a Committee of Grievance, a majority of whom, when met, form a quorum, whose duty shall be to hear all complaints, and settle them amicably if in their power. If they cannot settle said disputes, or should think them of sufficient magnitude to bring before the Lodge, then to report the same to the Lodge.

ARTICLE XVI.

Amendments to the By-Laws.

Any amendment or additions to these By-Laws, shall be proposed in writing, and read at a stated meeting. If seconded they shall be read again, and laid over till the next stated meeting, when if approved of, by a majority present, they shall be adopted.

RULES OF ORDER.

First.

When the Master takes the Chair, the brethren shall repair to their respective places, and upon proper notice, shall observe a profound silence. No brother shall leave his work, or move from his place, except such as may be required to do so in the performance of their duty, without permission of the Master.

Second.

Every brother shall stand up when he speaks, and shall address himself to the Master, in a respectful and decorous manner.

He shall speak but once on any subject unless it is merely to explain, until every member present has spoken, who choose, to avail himself of the privilege. But no Member shall be permitted to speak more than twice upon any one subject. He shall not be suffered to say anything, which will have a tendency wantonly to wound or irritate the feelings of a brother; as the sole object of debate, regard being had to precious time, is, to enlighten and expand the mind, and elucidate the subject under discussion.

Third.

In all motions, debates, etc., the rules usually practiced in Legislative bodies shall be observed, as near as may be.

Fourth.

The Master shall be a judge of order, and debate; where his decision is fairly questionable, an appeal may be made to the Lodge; but such appeal must be neither captious, contemptuous, nor contumacious.

Truth, justice and candor must be the desiderata of such an appeal.

Fifth.

The Master shall discountenance useless and tedious debate, as an injurious hindrance to the regular work of the Lodge, and shall hasten to put a stop to it.

Sixth.

For gross violation of the rules of the Lodge, or contemptuous behaviour, the Master may direct the offending Brother to withdraw for the evening, and refer the matter to the Lodge.

Seventh.

In all cases where there is an equality of votes the Master shall have the casting vote.

Eighth.

Whenever the Master rises, all debate shall cease, and a strict silence shall be observed.

The dignity of the Oriental Chair must always be supported.

The minutes of the subsequent meetings during that first year continue with records of petitions received and approved, membership elections, members entered, and dues paid. These latter are in amounts strange to our eyes, stated meetings total receipts often reading \$0.50, or \$0.62½. At the meeting of August 10, 1848, an invitation was received from the D. D. Grand Master Joseph L. Stichter "to assist in Laying the Corner Stone of the Gas Works on Tuesday, September 5th." This invitation was accepted, and a Committee of Arrangements appointed. The first annual meeting was held Thursday, December 14, 1848, when John O. D. Lilly was

elected Worshipful Master; David E. Stout, Senior Warden; Sydenham E. Ancona, Junior Warden; Robert Caldwell, Treasurer; and William H. Strickland, Secretary. The Committee on Regalia made this report:

Purchased: 12 Aprons and Collars @ \$7.50 per set.....	\$90.00
2 Aprons and Collars @ \$4.75 per set	9.50
36 Aprons plain @ \$1.12½ each.....	40.50

A bill of \$3.00 for Omnibus Hire at the Installation of the Lodge was ordered paid, and new By-Laws were adopted.

The new Officers were installed at a special Meeting, held on St. John's Day, December 27, 1848, when an audited report of the financial condition of the Lodge was received as follows: "To the Worshipful Master, Officers, and Brothers of Lodge No. 227. Your Committee to audit the accounts have attended to the duty assigned to them, and find the Lodge at present consists of twenty two members. There has been withdrawn, during the past year, one member. The receipts for the past term as fees, dues, etc., are \$288.75

Expenditures	163.12½
Leaving a Balance on Hand of	125.62½

"The amount percentage to Grand Lodge on the above is Fifty Two Dollars (\$52.00) which amount they have not included in the above account."

Signed: J. O. D. LILLY

WILLIAM H. STRICKLAND

JOHN C. WHALLY

This closed the first Masonic year for Chandler, a period of eight months, during which the membership grew from 7 to 22, and the Treasury from nothing to a balance of \$125.00. It should be borne in mind, too, that many non-recurring purchases had to be made for equipment of the Lodge, so that one may well state that the hopes of those who founded Chandler were fully realized. The new lodge had made a grand start, and promised bright things for the future.

The year 1849 was marked by a number of interesting incidents. For example, at the February meeting a new gavel for the use of the Worshipful Master was obtained at a cost of \$2.50. In March

the Lodge accepted a proposition from Lodge No. 62, to furnish Chandler with a Lodge Room, Lights, Fuel and Tyler for One Hundred Dollars per annum. This room was in the Keystone House, a hotel situated on the northwest corner of Sixth and Penn Streets.

In May the Lodge presented to Lodge No. 62 "a handsome copy of Harper's Edition of the Holy Bible" at a cost of \$12.00.

In June, a special Grievance Committee was appointed at the request of Brother S. E. Ancona and Brother G. Hoffman. Dues that night totalled \$0.25, though \$10.00 was given as a donation to Brother Dale, a Master Mason in distress. At that time there was no standing committee on relief, but the Master dispensed charity to "sojourning brothers" within his discretion, and later billed the Lodge for the amount so expended.

In July at a Special Meeting, it was found that a candidate, one John G. Geissler, had such an imperfect understanding of the English language, that his initiation was postponed for 10 days, when it was given in German.

In August 1849, the By-Laws were amended to read, "Every person initiated into this Lodge Shall pay the Sum of Twenty Five Dollars: to wit, Ten Dollars as his initiation, Ten Dollars upon being passed to the degree of a Fellow Craft, and Five Dollars upon being raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason."

In October, the Worshipful Master announced his intention of leaving Pennsylvania for a distant State, and the Lodge adopted a suitable Resolution, expressing appreciation of his services to the Lodge, and commending him to the good offices of Master Masons wherever he should be.

The year closed with the annual meeting at which these Officers were elected: Brothers David E. Stout, W. M.; Sydenham E. Ancona, S. W.; James Mulligan, J. W.; Robert Caldwell, Treasurer, and Henry Crowther, Secretary. The Auditor's Report for the year 1849 reads:

Total Receipts, dues, fees, etc.	\$772.95
Total Amount of Disbursements	452.76
Cash Balance in Treasury	320.19
Amount of arrearages for dues	92.42½
Total resources of Lodge	412.61½

There were four members received by certificate, 32 by initiation, making a total membership of 56.

Percentage due Grand Lodge: 32 Init. @ 2.00	\$64.00
Percentage due Grand Lodge: 56 members @ 1.00	56.00
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Percentage due Grand Lodge on Total Amount	120.00

During 1850 little unusual transpired. However, the beginnings of our system of dispensing charity were laid, when "a certificate of a deceased Master Mason having been received from his widow, Mrs. Mary Overholtzer, she was granted an order for \$5.00".

To match the gavel purchased in 1849, "a block of Irish marble" was purchased at a cost of \$6.00. At the annual meeting on Tuesday evening, December 3, 1850—this was the start in selecting Tuesday for meetings—Sydenham E. Ancona was elected W. M.; J. Mulligan, S. W.; Samuel McDonnell, J. W.; R. Caldwell, Treasurer, and A. Jordan Swartz, Secretary. The membership now reached 77.

1851 was an active year in Chandler's annals. It began with a disagreement with our sister Lodge No. 62 over the number of meetings, and the proportionate rental, which resulted in our meeting in Odd Fellows Hall from February, 1851, to June, 1852, at an annual rental of Forty Dollars, Gas and Fuel being furnished at our expense. In July, 1852 we accepted the invitation of No. 62 to return, as "being in the interest of Masonry generally."

Our first contribution to the "Washington National Monument Society" in the amount of \$10.00 was made in January, 1851. At the stated meeting of February 4, 1851, "the Worshipful Master suggested, at some length, the propriety of some action being taken in reference to a reduction of the Grand Lodge dues, which he believed to be generally considered onerous and subversive of the true interests of the Grand Lodge. A committee of three was appointed to communicate with all the other Lodges in good standing in the State, to take into consideration the propriety of asking a reduction of Grand Lodge dues."

In April the invitation to be present at the dedication of a new Lodge in Pottstown, Stichter No. 254, was accepted for April 22nd and Brother Millholland engaged an extra car on the P. & R. to accommodate all at a rate of 50 cents each.

Past Grand Master William Barger, with others from the Grand Lodge, visited Chandler on June 3rd, when Maybury A. Bertollette was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason, and an appropriate address on "The Principles of Masonry" was delivered by Brother Barger.

Under "Hot Weather Hints" might be noted a minute of the meeting of August 5th. "An appropriation of \$1.50 is made for refreshments for those whom a sense of duty induced to remain until the completion of the business of the evening." (The Lodge closed at 11.15 P. M.)

The year closed with a membership of 111 and 23 meetings held. Those elected to office for the ensuing Masonic year were: Daniel H. Feger, W. M.; Samuel McDonnell, S. W.; William H. Strickland, J. W.; William McFarlan, Treasurer; Henry Crowther, Secretary, and J. Millholland, J. H. Cole and William Cressford, Trustees.

At the February meeting in 1852, Past Grand Master J. R. Chandler, in whose honor Lodge No. 227 had been named, asked to be relieved as proxy for the Lodge in Grand Lodge, because of his distance from Grand Lodge. The Lodge agreed and decided to have Past Masters serve as Representatives to Grand Lodge. However, in April, we find Brother Chandler again named as proxy by the Lodge. Brother Ancona stated at the same meeting that a petition signed by W. I. Clous had been mislaid, and moved that the same be received and a committee appointed, as though it had been read to the Lodge, which was agreed to. The D. D. G. M. stated that such proceeding was out of order, which the W. M. confirmed, so the motion was ruled out of order. The missing petition was procured before the Lodge closed, and sent through the proper procedure. That incident may occasion a smile to some of our more recent masters, who wittingly or unwittingly proceed on a course of action, only to be told by our efficient secretary, "You can't do that." The first death among Chandler members, that of Francis A. Vache, was announced and appropriate resolutions passed.

At the stated meeting of August 3, the Committee on Printing By-Laws made a verbal report thus: "Your Committee would report that they have been unable to attend to the business of their

appointment, from the refusal of the Secretary to furnish them with a transcript from his minutes. Such refusal has been couched in language unbecoming a Maçon or a gentleman, he having said "he would be d——d, if he would make one, etc. . . ." Your Committee would therefore beg that the Lodge take such action as will secure the Committee from future insult, and that the dignity of the Lodge be sustained. A Committee of Grievance was appointed and the matter investigated. In the meantime, it was reported that the Secretary gave a transcript in illegible and incorrect manner. The Grievance Committee demanded an apology from the Secretary in open Lodge, which was made, and all was forgiven.

At a special meeting in November, Chandler Lodge was visited by Professor C. E. Blumenthal, who had been commissioned by Grand Lodge to give a "Grand Lecture" to different Lodges in the State. This practice was later discontinued by Grand Lodge. Officers elected at the Annual Meeting included: S. McDonnell, W. M.; W. H. Strickland, S. W.; H. D. Lowe, J. W.; W. McFarlan, Treasurer; D. A. Griffith, Secretary, and J. Millholland, J. Cole and D. Stout, Trustees.

There are but two items of interest in the Minutes of 1853, the first being a Joint celebration with Lodge No. 62, of the Centennial Anniversary of the Initiation of George Washington into Masonry. A "band of music" was hired for the occasion and an address was given by Past Grand Master Chandler. A total of \$30.00 was paid by the Lodge toward building a "monumental Masonic Temple" in Fredericksburg, Virginia. The second event of the year took place in November when Chandler was honored by a Grand Lodge Visitation, Anthony Y. Bournonville, R. W. G. M. Following that visit, the Grand Secretary reports: "I find the Lodge well instructed and strictly conforming to the requirements of the Ahiman Rezon, and the Rules and Regulations of Grand Lodge." He objects to the use of the term "Adjourned Stated Meeting" as being a non-Masonic term, but congratulates the Lodge on its general prosperity and its good attendance. "The amount of relief given to needy applicants has been liberal, and reflects credit upon the Officers and Members of the Lodge. William H. Adams, Grand Secretary."

The year closed with the election of William H. Strickland, W. M.; J. Millholland, S. W.; A. J. Swartz, J. W.; William McFarlan,

Treasurer; W. A. Wells, Secretary; and J. Cole, D. Stout, and S. McDonnell, Trustees. There were then 124 members.

An interesting item in 1854, records the approval of a loan of \$15.00 to a travelling brother from Pittston Lodge, No. 233, "the said brother depositing, on his own offer, a gold watch as collateral security which is in the hands of the Treasurer."

At the February Meeting, 1854, a petition signed by seven members of Chandler Lodge was read to the Lodge and the petition granted. This petition asked Chandler Lodge grant the sanction of its warrant to open "an Encampment of Knights Templar." The signatories were: A. Jordan Swartz, John H. Keim, S. E. Ancona, David E. Stout, S. McDonnell, James Millholland and William H. Strickland.

The year closed with the Annual Meeting and Election, when these Officers were chosen for the ensuing Masonic year: A. Jordan Swartz, W. M.; H. D. Lowe, S. W.; James Millholland, J. W.; William McFarlan, Treasurer; W. A. Wells, Secretary, and J. Cole, D. Stout and W. Strickland, Trustees.

The year 1855 opened in January with the presentation by Past Master Herman Baugh of Concordia Lodge, No. 67, to Chandler Lodge of a cane for the use of the Worshipful Master. "This cane is made of ash from one of the girders of the main floor, and the mahogany inlaying from the hand rail of the main stair case of the old Masonic Hall on Chestnut Street, Philadelphia. The Ferrule is a portion of the old gas pipe first used in the introduction of gas in the same city." It does not appear from the record, when or how often the Worshipful Master found use for the cane. Later in the year, on September 26, Chandler was represented by a delegation at the Dedication of the new Masonic Hall, Chestnut Street, between Seventh and Eighth Streets, in Philadelphia, the brethren travelling to Philadelphia on "half-price tickets, \$1.75, good for three days only." The invitation ordered as follows: "Each brother will be required to attend in a full suit of black, dress coat, with white gloves, plain blue sash and plain white apron."

For the ensuing year the following Officers were elected on December 4, 1855: H. D. Lowe, W. M.; J. Millholland, S. W.; William W. Diehl, J. W.; William McFarlan, Treasurer; A. Jordan

Swartz, Secretary, and D. E. Stout, Lewis Kirk and William Strickland, Trustees. There was then, a total membership of 140, and total assets of \$1901.70½. The report reads: "that the Committee take occasion to say that the year had been one of great prosperity and of exceedingly great delight, and the great contention and strife which existed in former years has been taken from our midst and in place we are enjoying a blessing of peace and fraternal love. The finances of the lodge are in a most prosperous condition and what is most gratifying to the committee is the large amount which has been expended during the year for charity. The widow and orphan have not been forgotten in the days of our prosperity."

In 1856, Brother Edward Strickland of Philadelphia was appointed proxy for Chandler, being near the Grand Lodge, and a Committee of one, Brother D. D. G. M. David Stout, was appointed to confer with Lodge No. 62, Chapter No. 152, and Encampment No. 7 (now No. 9), Knights Templar, in regard to obtaining a new Masonic Hall for all the local Masonic bodies.

The election of December 2, 1856, resulted in the choice of these officers: James Millholland, W. M.; W. W. Diehl, S. W.; J. A. McLean, J. W.; and D. E. Stout, William H. Strickland and L. Kirk, Trustees.

The following members of Chandler Lodge No. 227 petitioned the R. W. Grand Master for a Warrant for a new Lodge to be located at Womelsdorf, Penna.: John M. Schonour, William Moore, John Stephen, Charles Phillips, Thomas Searle, E. Penn Smith, William A. Moyer, John Sell and John H. Oberly.

At the stated meeting of January 6, 1857, the following resolution was adopted: "Resolved, That the petition be recommended to the favorable consideration of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge and that in case such Warrant be granted, such fixtures as are not in use by this Lodge be loaned to the Brethren above-named, until they can procure others."

Brother John M. Stephen became the first Worshipful Master of Williamson Lodge No. 307, and was followed by Brother John H. Oberly.

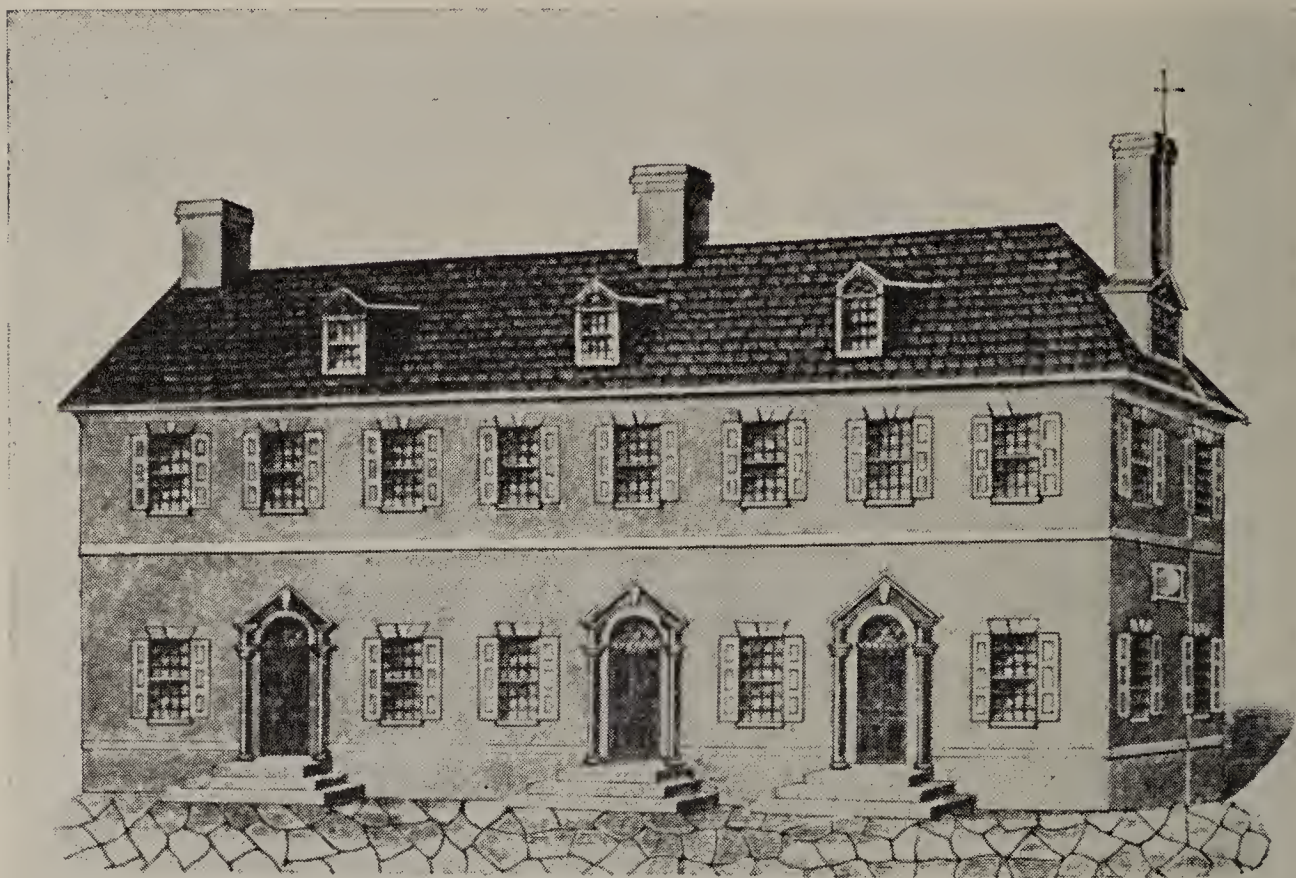
The year 1857 was marked by a Joint Convention of Lodges 62 and 227 on March 31, when Officers of the Grand Lodge, headed

by the Right Worshipful Grand Master, Peter Williamson, visited the Reading Lodges. A steel engraving, the likeness of Grand Master Williamson, was presented to the Lodge in October and ordered hung in the Lodge Room. A Committee of Brothers, W. H. Strickland, F. Till, and Joseph McLean, was appointed to work in conjunction with a similar Committee from Lodge 62, to arrange for acquisition of a burial lot in Charles Evans Cemetery.

Elected in December were: William W. Diehl, W. M.; J. A. McLean, S. W.; George W. Durell, J. W.; William McFarlan, Treasurer; H. A. Lantz, Secretary, and J. Millholland, D. E. Stout and J. E. Arthur, Trustees. The annual report in January 1858 shows total expenses of \$740.94, with \$270.00 for rent, \$114.25 for charity, \$86.25 for regalia, and only \$16.00 for refreshments. There were 149 members enrolled.

This first ten years of life of Chandler Lodge shows a vigorous organization having a substantial financial standing. It had met all its obligations, it had been charitable to those in need, it had assisted in the establishment of other Lodges and Masonic bodies and it had single handedly been the nucleus of the encampment of Knights Templar. True, it had its share of disagreements caused by the friction between men of strong character, but it ended its first decade in peace and Masonic harmony.

FIRST MEETING PLACE (1848-1852)



State House

The first meeting place of the Lodge was in the “State House Building” on the northeast corner of Fifth and Penn Streets. It had been the meeting place of Lodge No. 62 from 1806 to 1847, and we are indebted to Lodge No. 62 for the reproduction and the following description:

“The building was erected in 1793 by the County Commissioners of Berks County and was destroyed by fire in January, 1872. The outer door to the Lodge room was at the landing of the stairway. Two adjoining rooms were situated south of the Lodge room, with communicating doors thereto and from one room to the other. The room next to Fifth Street was the waiting room occupied by the Tyler, and the other was the preparing room. The station of the Worshipful Master was in the North, of the Senior Warden in the South, and the Junior Warden in the East. Though these stations were thus arranged, the officers were, nevertheless, considered as in the East, West and South, according to the Lodge requirements. The

altar was in the centre with three movable candlesticks, arranged to the West and East in the form of a right-angle triangle. Sperm candles were used. The floor was carpeted, and plain settees were arranged along the eastern and western walls on platforms slightly elevated. The Worshipful Master's station was on a platform with three steps, and his chair was of an old-fashioned pattern, with a high back of hickory sticks and a heavy head-board upon which there was a Rising Sun, carved and gilded. The chair had low arm-rests, and the seat was covered with a cushion. Over the pedestal, there was a canopy, supported by two columns. The other stations were after the same plan, but not so elaborate. The canopies were handsomely festooned, and all the windows, in 1840, were draped with curtains of purple worsted.

“The dimensions of the room were 28 by 40 feet, and the ceiling was 12 feet high. The room was lighted by an ornamental chandelier, with six oil lamps, suspended over the altar. It presented a brilliant appearance, and made a most favorable impression upon candidates for initiation, and also upon the visiting brethren. The walls were decorated with a number of pictures of prominent Masons in handsome frames, including such as Brother George Washington, Brother Lafayette, and certain Grand Officers of Pennsylvania.”

SECOND MEETING PLACE

(1849-1850) (1852-1858)



Keystone House

The second meeting place was in the Keystone House, a hotel situated on the northwest corner of Sixth and Penn Streets. It was the meeting place of Lodge No. 62 and at the stated meeting of March 5, 1849, the Lodge resolved to accept the offer of the mother Lodge and remove there from the "State House."

The Lodge Room occupied the fourth floor front, and extended across the entire width of the building. The room was 24 feet wide and 60 feet long. It is indicated by the seven windows on the front of the building and the four windows on the side, of the accompanying illustration.

The room was reached by a winding stairway from the Sixth Street entrance. At the head of the stairway, there was a landing from which a door opened into the waiting room, and from this waiting room the entrance was made directly into the Lodge room. The

doorway was nearly opposite the altar. The preparing room was situated at the rear of the waiting room, and a doorway also led into the Lodge room. Both rooms were about 12 by 16 feet in dimensions.

The interior of the Lodge room had a pleasing appearance. Black hair cloth sofas were arranged along the southern side (Penn Square) and common chairs along the northern side; and there were green blinds at all the windows.

The station of the Worshipful Master was in the East, or Sixth Street side, under a canopy, supported by two columns, on a platform elevated three steps. The chair was cushioned with black hair cloth, had a high back with arm rests, and was plain looking.

The room was lighted by gas. Two chandeliers were suspended from the ceiling at equal distances to the East and West of the altar. The walls had no decorations of any kind, excepting a picture of Washington, which hung on the wall above the chair of the Worshipful Master.

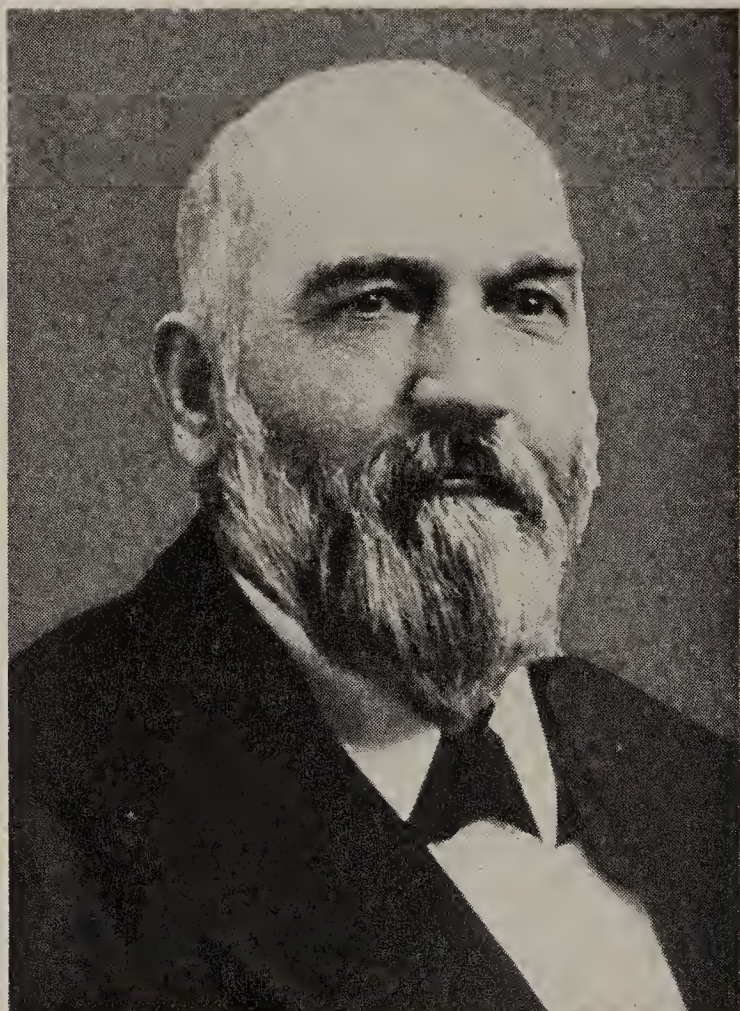
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THIRD MEETING PLACE (1851-1852)



Odd Fellows Hall

The third meeting place was the “Odd Fellows Hall” on the southwest corner of Fifth and Franklin Streets, the present site of the Reading Public Library. The building was constructed in 1847, and was sold to the Reading Library Company in 1868. It was thereafter known as Library Hall. Chandler Lodge occupied the fourth floor in 1851 and 1852, and again in 1862, when fire destroyed the Lodge Room in the American House.



JOHN O. D. LILLY

John O. D. Lilly, first master of Chandler Lodge, was born in Yates County, New York, September 17, 1822. He was educated in the public schools and in a private academy of that state, then went to Carbon County, Pa., where he learned the trade of machinist. He showed special skill in mechanical work, and was made foreman of a machine shop before he attained his legal age. He came to Reading and became a foreman in the P. and R. Shops. In 1849, he moved to Madison, Indiana.

There he was appointed master mechanic of the Madison and Indiana R. R., the first railroad constructed in that state.

About 1855, he accepted a position as Master Mechanic and Superintendent of the Lafayette and Indianapolis R. R. with headquarters in Indianapolis. He served in that capacity until after the Civil War, when he founded the Lilly Varnish Manufacturing Company which he continued to operate until his death in 1888. This factory is still flourishing under the same name.

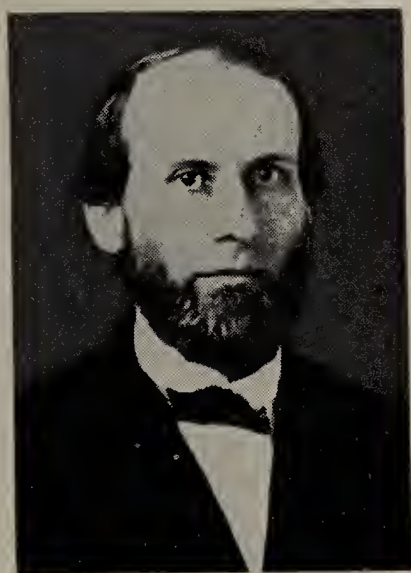
When the Civil War broke out in 1860, he was delegated by Governor Morton of Indiana to organize a regiment of railroad men, which became a part of the 68th. Indiana Volunteer Infantry. Brother Lilly was appointed master mechanic with the United States Military Railroad Service, was given the rank of Colonel, and was stationed at Philadelphia for the duration of the war.

He was made a Mason in Lodge No. 62 on August 4, 1847. He aided in the organization of Chandler Lodge No. 227, and was appointed first Worshipful Master. In 1848, he was elected to serve

a second term. In Indianapolis, he held membership in both Scottish and York Rites.

Brother Lilly was killed by a passenger train at Mauch Chunk on March 19, 1888, while visiting his brother, General William Lilly, also a member of Chandler Lodge. His remains rest in Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis, Indiana.

DAVID E. STOUT



David Engle Stout, second Worshipful Master of Chandler Lodge (1850), was born in Muhlenberg Township, near Stoudt's Ferry, on February 10, 1820. After being educated in the local schools, he took a clerical position in a hardware store, and at the age of 24 entered the employ of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company. Promotions were rapid, and in 1847 he was appointed paymaster, in which capacity he served for 40 years, until his retirement.

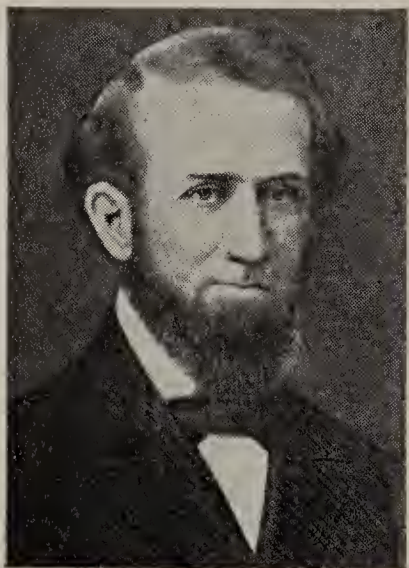
He was interested in local civic affairs and aided in the organization of the Union Bank, the Reading Trust Company, and the Reading Gas Company. Besides being a director in those organizations, he served as a school controller and was a very active member of Christ Episcopal Church.

He helped nominate Abraham Lincoln for President in the Republican National Convention of 1860, and again in 1864.

He was made a Mason in Lodge No. 62 on April 7, 1841, and Secretary in 1844. He aided in the organization of Chandler Lodge, and was installed as its first Secretary. He was a charter member of DeMolay Commandery, of which he became, in 1856, the third Eminent Commander. He was a member of the Pennsylvania Grand Commandery, and served as District Deputy Grand Master of the Berks District from 1854 to 1857.

Brother Stout died at Ocean Grove, New Jersey, September 12, 1894, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

SYDENHAM E. ANCONA



Sydenham E. Ancona was born near Lititz, Lancaster County, November 20, 1824. In early life, he taught in the rural schools of Berks and Lancaster Counties. In 1846, upon the invitation of Brother Daniel H. Feger, his brother-in-law and successor as Master of Chandler Lodge, he accepted a position as assistant timekeeper with the Reading Company. He became chief clerk and later head bookkeeper, resigning that position in 1862.

While in the employ of the Reading Company, he and Brother Feger organized a military company with a band, known as the Reading Rifles. This organization, about 200 strong, was composed largely of young machinists, engineers, etc., of the P. and R. Railroad Company, and was considered one of the crack volunteer organizations of the country. They made numerous trips to other cities, and later were actively engaged in the Civil War.

He was also elected to Congress from the Berks district in 1860, and was twice reelected. He served as president of the Reading Hose Company, and in 1867, with a few others organized and became the first President of the Hampden Fire Company. He held the latter office for many years, during which he became intensely interested in fire insurance and in the insurance business. He also served as president of the Penn Street Passenger Railway and as director of the Mount Penn Gravity Railway Company.

Brother Ancona was made a Mason in Lodge No. 62 on August 4, 1847. In 1848 he aided in the organization of Chandler Lodge and was named Junior Deacon. He became Worshipful Master of Chandler in 1851.

In 1870, with a few friends, he started a movement resulting in the organization of Reading Commandery, No. 42, Knights Templar, and was named first Eminent Commander.

He was District Deputy Grand Master for the District of Berks, Lebanon and part of Montgomery Counties in 1861-62 and 1872-77.

Brother Ancona died June 20, 1913, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

DANIEL H. FEGER



Daniel H. Feger was born in 1824 in Alsace Township at the very spot where the Stony Creek Woolen Mill now stands. An expert draftsman, he entered the employ of the Reading Company in 1844 and remained with that company until 1852, when he went to Covington, Ky., to take charge of the Covington Locomotive Works, where he designed and built the first locomotives ever built, west of the Allegheny Mountains. From Covington, he moved to Memphis, Tenn., where he took charge as a mechanic of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad, which position he held until the outbreak of the Civil War, when he became superintendent of the military railroads in Mississippi. After the close of the war, he became Superintendent of the Little Rock and Memphis Railroad, and afterward he was stationed at New Orleans as general passenger agent of the Louisville and Nashville through line to New York. He did noble work in the South during the yellow fever epidemic, having had charge of hospital organization.

Brother Feger was made a Mason in Lodge No. 62 on October 7, 1846, and aided in the organization of Chandler Lodge, of which he was the first Senior Warden. He served as Worshipful Master in 1852. Brother Feger died in Sedalia, Mo., December 30, 1884.

SAMUEL McDONNELL



Samuel McDonnell was born near Springfield, Mass., in September, 1816. He was educated in the public schools of Wilmington, Del., where he spent most of his boyhood days. He came to Reading shortly after 1830 and learned the machinist trade at the Reading Railway Shops, where promotions were rapid. In 1854, he was sent to Pottsville, Pa., as Master Mechanic and Superintendent of the Reading R. R. Palo Alto Shops. He served in that capacity until 1865, when he

entered the wholesale lumber business at Pottsville. He retained that business until his death.

Brother McDonnell was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on July 7, 1849. He served as Worshipful Master in 1853. He was also a member of DeMolay Commandery No. 9, and served as Eminent Commander in 1862. Brother McDonnell died October 1, 1873, as the result of an accident sustained during the exercises dedicating the new Masonic Temple at Broad and Filbert Streets, Philadelphia. He was buried in Mt. Laurel Cemetery, Pottsville.

His funeral was marked by unusual solemnities. One hundred Sir Knights of DeMolay Commandery, under the command of Past Eminent Commander Jesse Orr, and accompanied by the Citizens' Band, and by many representatives of Reading Commandery, Chandler and other Blue Lodges, assembled at the asylum at Fifth and Franklin Streets, and travelled in a special train to Pottsville, where they were received by Constantine Commandery. The assembled Masons marched in parade to Palo Alto, the home of their deceased brother, and thence to Mt. Laurel Cemetery. The long procession was headed by Pulaski Lodge No. 216 of Pottsville, immediately followed by Chandler Lodge. The nodding plumes of the Knights, their elegant accoutrements and exquisite marching, and the solemn ceremonies at the grave deeply impressed the spectators, who thickly lined the route of the procession.

WILLIAM H. STRICKLAND



William Hurst Strickland was born in Philadelphia in 1815 and came to Reading in 1846. He served in various capacities with the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company over a period of 25 years, and was general train dispatcher at Seventh and Chestnut Streets for a number of years. He also served as assistant superintendent of the Lebanon Valley branch.

He was secretary and treasurer of the Reading Library for many years, and was the possessor of a fine private library and an excellent collection of paintings by Devlin, Benade and other artists. Mr. Strickland was very

well known in this community and held in high esteem. He was an active member of Christ Cathedral.

Brother Strickland was made a Mason in Union Lodge No. 108 and became a member of Chandler Lodge June 8, 1848. He was the first non-charter member of Chandler Lodge. He served as secretary in 1849 and as Worshipful Master in 1854. He was also active in other Masonic bodies, serving as first High Priest in Excelsior Chapter No. 237 in 1871-72, and as Grand Commander of the Knights Templar of Pennsylvania in 1865. He served as Eminent Commander of DeMolay No. 9 in 1858. Brother Strickland died December 21, 1891, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

A. JORDAN SWARTZ



Andrew Jordan Swartz was born in 1825. He was admitted to the Bar of Berks County in 1848. Reading honored him in 1857 by electing him Mayor on the Democratic ticket, when only 32 years of age. In 1859, he was appointed to a clerkship in the Treasury Department at Washington, D. C., and later promoted to Second Auditor of the Treasury. Brother Swartz died on July 26, 1865, in Washington, D. C.

Brother Swartz's career in Masonry, untimely ended by death, was short but extraordinarily brilliant. He was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on February 27, 1850. He served as Secretary in 1851 and again in 1856. In 1855 he became Worshipful Master of his Lodge. In the same year, he became the second Eminent Commander of DeMolay Commandery No. 9. He was District Deputy Grand Master of Berks District in 1858, 1859 and 1860, and became, in 1859, the second Grand Commander of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania.

His mortal remains are buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

HENRY D. LOWE

Henry D. Lowe was a machinist by trade and resided on Chestnut Street below Fifth. He later resided in Philadelphia and Lambertville, N. J.

Brother Lowe was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on June

22, 1848 and served as Worshipful Master in 1856. He was a member of Reading Royal Arch Chapter No. 152 and served as M. E. High Priest, and of DeMolay Commandery No. 9 and served as Eminent Commander in 1859. His Masonic affiliation ceased in 1868. He died at Lambertville, N. J., March 27, 1888 and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.



JAMES MILLHOLLAND

James Millholland was born in Baltimore, Md., October, 1812. He was given a private school education, and at an early age was apprenticed as machinist. As such, he aided in the construction of the first railway locomotive built in the United States, the invention of Peter Cooper, and manufactured for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Co. He also assisted in the construction of many other historic locomotives and therefore was identified with the construction of the locomotive from its earliest history in this country. Later, he moved to New York, where he helped to make the machinery for America's first steamboats. In 1848, he moved to Reading as engineer of machinery for the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad. Here he produced many inventions, notably a patent fire grate for locomotives, now generally used throughout the country. In 1860, he accepted the presidency of the Cumberland and Pennsylvania Railroad Company and the Consolidated Coal Company. In 1870 he returned to Reading, where he organized the banking firm of Hoff and Millholland. He became a partner in the Leesport Iron Company, a member of the board of directors of the Reading Library Company, and of the Charles Evans Cemetery Company. He was highly esteemed for his strong character, outstanding ability, and just relations with his fellow men. He was a Republican candidate for Congress in the Berks District in 1872 but was defeated by Hiester Clymer.

James Millholland was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge June 3, 1850 and served as Worshipful Master in 1857. He was also Past High Priest of Reading Chapter No. 152, R.A.M., and First Eminent Commander of DeMolay Commandery No. 9, K.T., in 1854. He died August 17, 1875, and is buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

CHAPTER II

1858-1868

The second decade of Chandler's life was a stormy one, or at least, an eventful one. The Civil War occurred, taking Officers and Members of the Lodge into military service, creating a problem, and for a while, a war-induced prosperity. The Lodge rooms were burned out in a fire, and plans were made for the construction and ownership of meeting quarters for all Masonic bodies in the city of Reading.

Under the mastership of Brother Joseph A. McLean, the new quarters of the Lodge were occupied in Brother Housum's new building at Fourth and Penn Streets on February 1, 1859, when there was a reported membership of 155. Lodge sessions continued during the Civil War, with a slightly reduced number of initiations and some difficulty in filling stations in the Lodge because of the enlistment of so many of the Lodge officers in the Volunteer Army of the United States. By November 5, 1861, there were 24 members in the Army.

In April, 1858, the new D. D. Grand Master, Brother A. Jordan Swartz, notified the Lodge of the death of the R. W. Grand Master, I. K. Mitchell, and directed that the Lodge Room be placed in mourning for 90 days.

In June, the Committee on Cemetery Lot was authorized to purchase a lot of 1500 square feet in Charles Evans Cemetery at five cents a foot, a total expenditure of \$75, and in July the first interment was made, being the body of Brother Henry A. Goff, which had lain in Brother Daniel Housum's vault for three years and three months. A few days later, the body of Brother Philip B. Housum was brought to Reading for burial, his death having occurred in San Diego, Cuba. The Lodge attended special services for Brother Housum in the Franklin Street Lutheran Church, and directed the Secretary to open correspondence with the most convenient Lodge in Cuba, to find out details concerning the death of Brother Housum. Further authority was given a Committee to build a new Masonic Hall, or if inexpedient, to rent another Lodge Room. This resulted in renting the new Lodge Room, especially constructed by Brother Housum in his hotel property on the Southeast corner of Fourth and Penn Streets.

At the Stated Meeting December 7, 1858, the following Brethren were elected to office: Joseph A. McLean, Worshipful Master; George W. Durell, Senior Warden; Emanuel Rauch, Junior Warden; Henry A. Lantz, Secretary; William McFarlan, Treasurer; David E. Stout, J. Millholland and John E. Arthur, Trustees.

The new Lodge Room was occupied February 1, 1859.

The salary of the Secretary was raised to Fifty dollars per year, but at a subsequent meeting, the Worshipful Master declared the proceedings out of order, null and void, and of no effect, and the Secretary promptly tendered his resignation.

At the Stated Meeting in May Brother Thomas M. Richards was elected Secretary.

On December 5, 1859, the following Brethren were elected to serve during the ensuing Masonic year: George W. Durell, Worshipful Master; E. J. Rauch, Senior Warden; John Quimby, Junior Warden; William McFarlan, Treasurer; Thomas M. Richards, Secretary, and the Trustees were reelected.

At the meeting in January, a list was drawn up at the Secretary's desk, for the members to sign their names and evenings they would be able to sit up with Brother William McFarlan, who was ill. The list was filled up for the week.

At the Stated Meeting March 6, 1860, a resolution was passed ordering the Past Masters to wear the Regalia presented to them when in the Lodge room.

At the annual election held December 4, 1860, the following officers were elected: Brothers E. J. Rauch, Worshipful Master; J. Quimby, Senior Warden; F. Till, Junior Warden; J. A. McLean, Treasurer; T. M. Richards, Secretary; J. Millholland, W. VonNeida and J. Mulligan, Trustees.

At the Stated Meeting on February 5, 1861, Brother P. M. S. E. Ancona presented to the Lodge his certificate of appointment as D. D. Grand Master for this district.

At the Stated Meeting of November 5, 1861, Brother P. M. S. E. Ancona offered the following resolutions: "Resolved; That this Lodge regards with satisfaction the loyalty and patriotism of its members who have done honor alike to themselves, the craft and their country by their prompt enlistment in the Army of the Union for its support and preservation.

“Resolved: As a mark of appreciation and approval the Lodge dues for the year and so long as they may continue in the service of their country be and are hereby remitted to the following Brothers, worthy members of this Lodge who have held and are now holding the honorable positions named in the Volunteer Army of the United States:

Alexander, George W. (Colonel)

Arthur, John E. (Captain)

Bertolette, Jonathan C.—M.D.

Diehl, William W. (Captain)—P.M.

Drenkle, Amos

Durell, George W. (Captain)—P.M.

Faust, Adam (Lieutenant)

Griffith, David A. (Captain)

Hamilton, Samuel

Hoffeditz, John C. A. (Captain)

Kinsey, Gideon S. (Lieutenant)

Knoske, Edward C.

Knox, William M., M.D. (Captain)

McCarter, James M. (Colonel)

*McLean, Joseph A. (Lieutenant Colonel)—P.M. and Treasurer

Myers, Henry R. (Captain)

Quimby, John (Chaplain)

Rauch, Emanuel J. (Lieutenant)—P.M.

Rhoads, Darius G. (Lieutenant)

Richards, Thomas W. (Lieutenant)—Secretary

Ritter, F. S.

Sands, William A. (Lieutenant)

Seiders, Jeremiah

Seltzer, J. W., M.D.

Souders, John W.

*Made the supreme sacrifice.

Unfortunately the minutes do not contain a list of those members of Chandler Lodge who subsequently joined the armed forces during the remaining years of warfare. The records show, however, that the following members participated in the great conflict:

Bickel, Anthony

Boyer, Franklin

Boone, Jeremiah H.

Boyer, Jerome L.

Bratt, Benjamin R.	Lewis, William R.
Deem, Thomas	Linderman, John F.
Diehl, Joseph V.	Mass, Edmond A.
Ermentrout, Benjamin F.	Maxton, John B.
Fritz, Charles	Meredith, John
Fritz, John	Miller, George W.
Gentzler, James H.	Morris, John L.
Hoffman, George W.	Reifsnyder, William
Hughes, George W.	Richards, Henry J.
Kerper, Henry	Robeson, Samuel
Kinsey, Thomas P.	Strickland, William H.
Knabb, Jacob	Till, Franklin
Lambert, Theodore A.	Zacharias, Daniel S.

The above list undoubtedly is incomplete, and also does not include the names of the many who gained membership after the end of the war.

Various items of interest appearing in the minutes bear witness to the war-psychology and the war-economy then obtaining throughout the nation. For example: in May, 1861, an order was drawn upon the Treasurer for Fifty Dollars for "Union Guards"; in December, 1863, "The W. M. stated that the widow of our deceased Brother J. A. McLean had applied to the Lodge through him asking for a loan of \$500.00 which she wished to refund to the Lodge as soon as she should receive the back pay and pension due her husband at the time of his death". The Lodge donated money and food, setting aside the question of the loan. The Lodge also remitted the dues of all Brethren in the Volunteer Army of the U. S.

At the annual election on December 3, 1861, the following officers were elected: Brothers J. Mulligan, Worshipful Master; F. Till, Senior Warden; W. C. Wheeler, Junior Warden; George W. Miller, Treasurer; Thomas M. Richards, Secretary; W. G. VonNeida, B. Clemenson and W. S. Ritter, Trustees.

A Special Meeting was called on March 22, 1862, to Enter, Pass and Raise by dispensation Jonathan C. Bertollette, a Physician in the Army.

On April 7, the Worshipful Master stated that, being of the opinion that our warrant was burned with the Lodge Hall furniture and regalia, he applied to the Grand Lodge for a dispensation to

continue meetings until he could apply for a new one, at the next quarterly communication; which dispensation was granted, but after it was received, the old warrant was found, although somewhat disfigured. A committee was appointed to see about procuring a suitable Lodge Room.

At the Stated Meeting in the Odd Fellows Hall on October 6, 1862, the Committee on Brother Joseph A. McLean, P.M., reported that there was no doubt of his death, informed the Brethren of the circumstances, and appropriate resolutions were drafted.

The following Brethren were elected officers for the ensuing Masonic year on December 2, 1862: F. Till, Worshipful Master; W. C. Wheeler, Senior Warden; C. S. Stamm, Junior Warden; W. G. VonNeida, Treasurer; Charles S. Fritz, Secretary; E. J. Rauch, J. T. Jackson and H. D. Lowe, Trustees.

At the Stated Meeting on February 3, 1863, the Committee on Joseph A. McLean reported they were unable to recover the body.

There was a tremendous demand for relief for widows, children, burials, etc., at this period.

At the Stated Meeting on December 1, 1863, the following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing Masonic Year: Brothers E. J. Rauch, Worshipful Master; H. A. Tyson, Senior Warden; E. F. Keever, Junior Warden; W. G. VonNeida, Treasurer; C. L. Fritz, Secretary; H. D. Lowe, J. Mulligan and A. Hooker, Trustees.

The Lodge debated whether, because of the War, to celebrate St. John's Day or not. It was settled by the adoption of a motion by Past Master James Mulligan "that we celebrate the day by a supper and that the sum of \$50.00 be appropriated for wine, and a Committee appointed to make the necessary arrangements."

January 5, 1864, William Y. Lyon's name was announced as a visitor, but the Worshipful Master objected to his entering the Lodge, stating that he did not think him a suitable person. Some discussion took place as to the right of the Worshipful Master to keep him out of the Lodge. The Worshipful Master put it to a vote of the Lodge whether he should be admitted or not, which vote was almost unanimous for his non-admittance, there being only two votes in favor of said William Y. "Bully" Lyon.

In October, 1864, we read "A communication from the members of George Washington Lodge, No. 143, Chambersburg, (whose prop-

erty was destroyed by the late Rebel raid) asking for relief was read, when upon motion duly seconded, and carried by vote of the Lodge, a donation of \$100.00 was granted, and that the Worshipful Master be a Committee to deliver the same". At this same meeting, an official Visitation of the R. W. G. M. and his Officers was made, when they were received with the accustomed honors. The closeness of the War, something that we of today have never experienced, is also reflected in this item, dated November 2, 1864: "Arrangements were made to celebrate St. John's Day and a sum of \$50.00 appropriated for wine. The Worshipful Master stated that there was in the Lodge Room a Brother who had lately escaped from the rebel Army, who was in distress, having scarcely enough clothing to cover his nakedness. When upon motion duly seconded and carried it was ordered that a suit of clothing be purchased for him". The following year, after the collapse of the Confederate cause, prices on the necessities had so increased, that the Landlady applied to the Lodge for more rent, stating that she had to pay \$72.00 more for fuel and light. The Lodge ordered a donation of \$30.00 to her, as its proper proportion.

New By-Laws were approved and ordered printed at the meeting in November.

At the annual election on December 6, 1864, the following Brethren were elected: Henry A. Tyson, Worshipful Master; T. M. Richards, Senior Warden; J. C. A. Hoffeditz, Junior Warden; W. G. VonNeida, Treasurer; C. L. Fritz, Secretary; Lewis Heilman, J. B. Maxton and C. Hoffeditz, Trustees.

Very little of historical interest is recorded in the minutes of 1865.

The Annual Banquet in December 1865, held at Mr. Behm's Mansion House, was the occasion for the following bill, submitted and ordered paid:

2 baskets Champagne	\$60.00
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Corkage	12.00
100 Segars	7.00
50 Masonic Songs	5.00
Tickets for Supper	1.25
2 Complimentary tickets	6.00
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The annual election of officers on December 5, 1865, resulted in the following Brethren being elected: H. A. Tyson, Worshipful Master; T. A. Richards, Senior Warden; J. C. A. Hoffeditz, Junior Warden; W. G. VonNeida, Treasurer; Jerome L. Boyer, Secretary; Lewis Heilman, Frank Dundore and H. F. Rhodes, Trustees.

At times, Chandler Lodge did its work in German, for those candidates who were not at ease with the English language, but the increasing German immigration which began about 1848 had brought in so many people from Germany that a demand arose for a German-speaking Lodge. Accordingly, these members were permitted to withdraw from Lodge No. 227: John George Ziegler, Henry Reager, Adam Heilman, Frederick Schneider, Conrad Kessler, Arnold Mellert and John Fos. Becker, and the Lodge officially recommended the granting of a warrant to the new Lodge. On June 5, 1866, \$100.00 was voted to Teutonia Lodge, No. 367, to help in defraying the expenses of its institution. A footnote to the minutes of 1866 observes that the attendance was very good during this period, 50 to 75 being the usual number.

At the Stated Meeting on December 4, 1866, a motion was made to have the cost of St. John's Day supper paid out of the Lodge funds and that no money be appropriated for wine. The motion was lost. A motion made to appropriate \$75.00 for wine was carried, 19 yeas and 7 nays.

The following officers were elected: Brothers J. C. A. Hoffeditz, Worshipful Master; C. A. Saylor, Senior Warden; J. B. Maxton, Junior Warden; W. G. VonNeida, Treasurer; H. A. Tyson, Secretary; B. F. Boyer, W. S. Ritter and W. W. Diehl, Trustees.

The chief interest during the years 1867 and 1868 was the old problem of finding suitable quarters for a meeting room. The Shalter and Arnold properties on Penn Street, between Fourth and Fifth Streets, were considered, but abandoned when the price was raised during the negotiations. The Daniel Housum property was obtained by a Masonic Hall Association, representing all the Masonic bodies, each sharing the rental, of \$600.00 per year. Of this amount, Lodges No. 62 and No. 227 paid \$175.00. An offer from the Estate of Brother Daniel Housum to sell to the Association the furniture in the Lodge room for \$500.00 was accepted and the list so purchased follows:

17 spring sofas	1 oil cloth table
4 master's chairs	22 spittoons
3 arm chairs	1 settee in ante-room
7 windsor chairs	Looking glass and 3 engravings
2 stoves in ante-room	2 hatracks in ante-room
1 restaurant stove in Lodge room	2 tables in ante-room
5 pedestals, Master, Wardens, Secretary	3 gas posts

At the Stated Meeting in November 1867, a member of Chandler Lodge applied for pecuniary relief, and was promptly refused on the ground that "Masonic Charity was never meant to support idleness or dissipation", nor for a brother "who had not made every honourable effort to make an honest living", nor for "one in good health and in possession of all his faculties unimpaired". The same member was expelled in 1868 for appropriating \$25.00, a fee for initiation, to his own use. Thus, a "Black Sheep" was uncovered in the family.

Brother P. M. William H. Strickland, in behalf of the Brethren, presented a magnificent gold case American watch to Brother P. M. Henry A. Tyson as a token of regard and esteem.

The following Brethren were elected to office December 3, 1867: Charles A. Saylor, Worshipful Master; John B. Maxton, Senior Warden; George W. Grant, Junior Warden; William G. VonNeida, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; W. W. Diehl, C. S. Bickley and W. S. Ritter, Trustees.

The second decade of Chandler's history closed in a day of considerable Masonic prosperity, as shown by (a) 130 members present at the Annual Banquet; (b) Chandler Assistance at the founding of Vaux Lodge, No. 406, at Hamburg, and (c) A proposition to establish a new Lodge in Reading, to be known as St. John's Lodge. This last proposal was delayed by Chandler until certain objections were met, and did not become an actuality until Chandler had entered its third decade.

FOURTH MEETING PLACE (1858-1872)



American House

The fourth hall was located on the fourth floor of the “American House”, on the southwest corner of Penn Square and Fourth Street. It occupied the entire floor of the rear building, and was in dimensions, 40 by 70 feet. The entrance was made by a stairway toward the rear of the building on Fourth Street. At the extreme end of the fourth floor, a number of small rooms were arranged, and a door led from a vestibule into the Lodge room adjoining the station of the Senior Warden. The station of the Worshipful Master was at the north end of the room. The stations had the customary elevation on raised platforms, but were without ornament or decoration of any kind. The walls and ceilings were handsomely frescoed in panels, with the emblems of the fraternity painted on the several corners. Two rows of cushioned settees were placed along both sides, on elevated platforms, with a single row of common arm chairs before them on the floor. There were no paintings or pictures on the walls. The windows were hung with brown colored blinds. The

room was lighted by gas, a large and heavy twelve-light chandelier having been suspended from the centre of the ceiling.

On March 23, 1862, a fire occurred in one of the rooms at the South end of the building. The bodies that met there were Lodge No. 62, Chandler, No. 227; Reading Chapter, No. 152, R. A. M., and DeMolay Commandery, No. 9, K. T., and the fire resulted in a great loss of regalia, books and property. The loss to Brother Housum was \$12,000, and to the several lodges as follows: Lodge No. 62, \$300; Lodge No. 227, \$500; Chapter No. 152, \$6,000, and DeMolay Commandery, No. 9, \$850. The origin of the fire was unknown. It started in one of the ante-rooms of the Masonic Hall, where the paraphernalia was kept, and from thence it spread over the hall with such rapidity that those earliest on the spot were unable to save any property of the Lodges. Fortunately, Chandler did not suffer the loss of her books.

(History Lodge No. 62)

WILLIAM W. DIEHL



Captain William W. Diehl was born in Bedford, Pennsylvania, August 5, 1820, and came to Berks County at an early age. He conducted a store at Oley Line Hotel and later a billiard saloon on Penn Street, near Sixth (now McCrory's), in the City of Reading. He became Clerk of the Orphans' Court of Berks County in 1851. Captain Diehl served his country gallantly in both the Mexican and Civil Wars. In the Mexican War, he was a first sergeant, and in the Civil War he enlisted as a captain in the 50th Pennsylvania Regiment of Volunteers. Upon his return, he was sent to Gordon, Penna., to superintend carpenter construction work for the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company and subsequently he was employed in the pattern shop of the company in Reading.

Brother Diehl was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on October 16, 1849, and served as Worshipful Master in 1858. He died September 7, 1873, and is buried in Charles Evans Cemetery, Reading.

LIEUT. COL. JOSEPH A. McLEAN



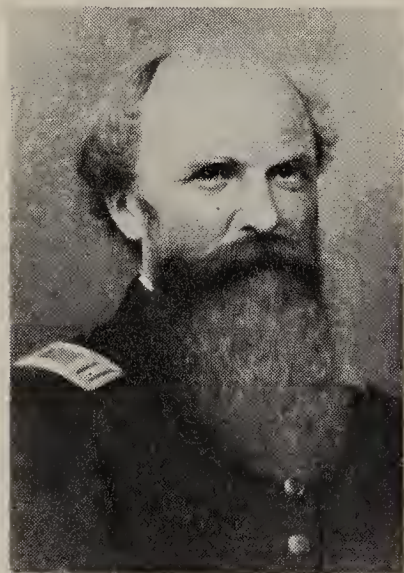
Joseph A. McLean was born in Philadelphia in 1823. He was a machinist and in 1848 removed to Reading, where he obtained employment with the Reading Railway Company. He was a member of the Reading School Board and of the Common Council of the city.

He was prompt in recruiting troops at the outbreak of the Civil War and was commissioned a lieutenant colonel in 1861. With his regiment, he participated in many major battles. In the disastrous engagement of the second battle of Bull Run, he was mortally wounded and left upon the field, where he died August 30, 1862, and where he is buried.

Two military societies were organized and named in honor of Lieutenant Colonel McLean. In 1866, a Grand Army Post, McLean Post, No. 16, was organized with Past Master George W. Grant as Senior Vice Commander, and Past Master J.C.A. Hoffeditz as Junior Vice Commander. This organization at one time boasted a membership of 1,364. In 1884, McLean's Relief Corps No. 10 was organized.

Brother McLean was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on August 2, 1853, served as Worshipful Master in 1859, and as Treasurer in 1860-61.

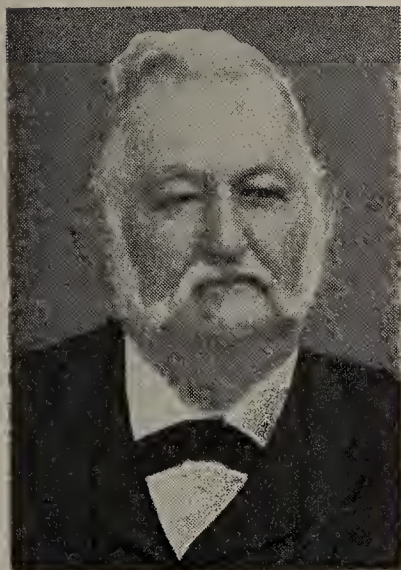
CAPTAIN GEORGE W. DURELL



George W. Durell was born at Wilmington, Del., on November 25, 1816. He served as foreman painter for the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company until the outbreak of the Civil War, when he promptly enlisted and served as a sergeant with the Ringgold Light Artillery for three months. He then organized Durell's Independent Battery D and was commissioned its captain, in which capacity he served until illness compelled his resignation in September, 1864. During the war, he was appointed Provost Marshal to conduct the drafts in Berks County. After his resignation, he resumed his foremanship at the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company shops and became active in the First Baptist Church and in various musical organizations.

Brother Durell was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge September 3, 1849, and served as Worshipful Master in 1860. In 1872 he served as commander of McLean Post, No. 16, G. A. R.

He died November 9, 1883, and was interred in Charles Evans Cemetery, Reading.



EMANUEL J. RAUCH

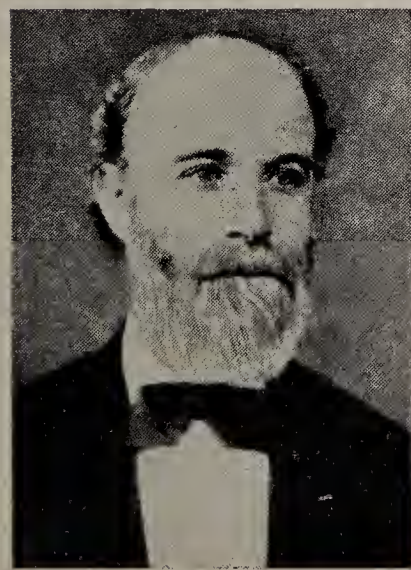
Emanuel J. Rauch was born at Chester, Pa., November 6, 1825. When he was seven years of age, he moved to Philadelphia with his parents, and was educated in the public schools of that city. He came to Reading at an early age, and was employed by the Philadelphia and Reading Company as blacksmith, and later as master mechanic at the Locomotive Shops. Later, he served as Superintendent of Signal towers. He was a gifted writer and contributed regular articles to the local newspapers in Pennsylvania German under the name of Pete Schwefelbrenner.

About the year 1867, he moved to New York City, where he entered the employ of the Metropolitan Elevated Lines. He served that company for a period of 35 years, until his retirement.

Brother Rauch was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on August 15, 1849. He served as Worshipful Master in 1861 and 1864. He was also a member of Excelsior Chapter, No. 237.

A lifelong friend of Sydenham E. Ancona, he named his son in honor of Brother Ancona.

He died in New York City April 8, 1914, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.



JAMES MULLIGAN

James Mulligan was born in Luzerne County in 1827 and came to Reading from Wilkes-Barre about 1856. A machinist by trade, he was employed at the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company shops for many years, after which he was employed in Mellert's Foundry. Subsequently, he became superintendent of machinery and engines for the Schuylkill Navigation Company.

He was for years a member of the School Board from the Fifth Ward, in the City of Reading, Pennsylvania, and was a highly respected citizen.

Brother Mulligan was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on June 8, 1848, and served as Worshipful Master in 1862. He died February 8, 1880, and is buried in Charles Evans Cemetery in Reading.

FRANKLIN TILL



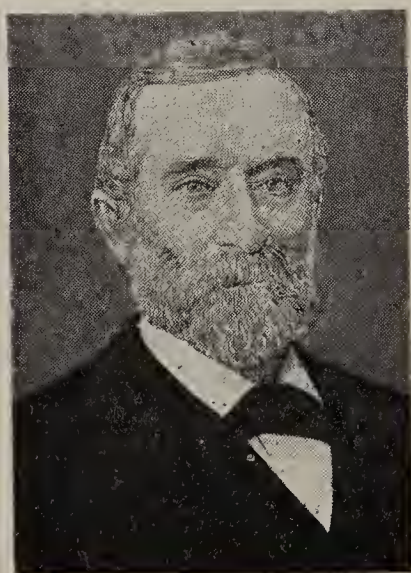
Franklin Till was a bricklayer by trade, and for over 35 years was employed in various capacities at the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company Depot. Later he conducted a plumbing establishment at 522 and 524 Court Street, Reading, opposite the depot, under the name of F. Till and Company.

During the Winter of 1873-74 he was vice-president of the Second Ward Relief Society, and did noble work in relieving small-pox patients and in dispensing charity.

Brother Till was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on September 18, 1849 and served as Worshipful Master in 1863.

He died May 26, 1880, and is buried in Charles Evans Cemetery, Reading.

HENRY A. TYSON



Henry A. Tyson was born in Reading, Pa., December 14, 1832. He was educated in the Reading public schools and apprenticed to the trade of chairmaking. He was engaged in that occupation until he was elected city controller on the Democratic ticket in 1876. In 1879 he was elected Mayor, and was responsible for many important improvements in the City of Reading. It was during his administration that Antietam Lake was greatly enlarged.

Brother Tyson was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on June 7, 1859. He served as Worshipful Master for the years 1864 and

1865, and as Secretary from 1867 continuously to 1896. He was District Deputy Grand Master of the Seventh District from 1885 to 1894 inclusive, and was recorder of Reading Commandery, No. 42, Knights Templar, from 1872 to 1895. He was also a member of Reading Chapter, No. 152, serving as Secretary from 1867 to 1895, inclusive.

Brother Tyson died September 14, 1895, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

CAPTAIN JOHN C. A. HOFFEDITZ



John C. A. Hoffeditz was born in Northampton County in 1829. He received his education in the public schools of that county and the Moravian school at Nazareth, known as "Nazareth Hall". He acquired the trade of tanner and followed it for one year at Easton, then moved to Reading, where he engaged in the mercantile business. In 1880, he joined with his son, J. Calvin Hoffeditz, Past Master of Reading Lodge No. 549, in the manufacture of carriages.

Shortly after the Civil War had begun, he organized a company of cavalry, called the "Reading Troop" and became its captain. Sick-ness forced his return to Reading in 1862, and he was appointed deputy provost marshal of the Berks County area. He was a member of the Reading School Board, organized the "Reading Electric Light and Power Company", and served as its first president.

Brother Hoffeditz was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge February 5, 1861, and served as Worshipful Master in 1867. He was a member of Reading Chapter, No. 152; DeMolay Commandery, No. 9, and a past officer in Reading Council, No. 16. He received the 33rd degree. In 1867, he was Eminent Commander of DeMolay Commandery, No. 9.

He died in 1901 and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

CHAPTER III

1868-1878

The decade 1868-1878 was a period marked especially by the expanding charitable functions of the Lodge, and by the part it took in the growth of Masonry in Reading and elsewhere. The Chandler Lodge \$10,000.00 Permanent Charity Fund was instituted. Numerous gifts, not only to needy Masons and their widows, of this and other Lodges, but also to large groups of non-Masonic sufferers from calamitous disaster, are recorded. The new Masonic Hall was acquired and furnished in Reading City Hall and the Masonic Temple was dedicated in Philadelphia. The decade showed no flagging in Masonic zeal.

At the Stated Meeting March 3, 1868, a communication was received from the Brethren at Hamburg, extending an invitation to the institution of Vaux Lodge, No. 406, at Hamburg, on Wednesday, March 18.

At the meeting in April, a committee was appointed to arrange for the Twentieth Anniversary celebration of Chandler Lodge. The portrait of P. M. John O. D. Lilly was purchased at a price of \$25.

One hundred and thirty Brethren attended the annual election of officers on December 1, 1868, when the following were chosen: John B. Maxton, Worshipful Master; George W. Grant, Senior Warden; William A. Sands, Junior Warden; William G. VonNeida, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; William S. Ritter, C. S. Bickley and A. B. Wanner, Trustees.

Nothing of historical importance is contained in the minutes of 1869. There were 25 meetings held to do the "work".

On December 7, 1869, the following officers were elected: George W. Grant, Worshipful Master; William A. Sands, Senior Warden; James H. Gentzler, Junior Warden; William G. VonNeida, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; William S. Ritter, Amos B. Wanner and Horace A. Yundt, Trustees.

The Charity Committee was instructed to present each of the widows of deceased members of this Lodge with a barrel of flour as a Christmas present.

On March 1, 1870, it was resolved, that a committee of three be appointed to confer with similar committees of the other lodges to take into consideration the propriety of forming a Masonic Mutual Life Insurance Association.

At a Special Meeting of Chandler Lodge March 15, 1870, 59 members and 80 visitors being present, called for the purpose of receiving P. G. M. Brother William Barger and receiving instruction in the work. D. D. G. M. Brother Joseph L. Stichter arose and delivered a few remarks and in conclusion introduced P. G. M. Barger. The Worshipful Master then delivered a short address of welcome and invited Brother Barger to the chair, who, upon taking the same, thanked the brethren for the kind reception given him and proceeded to give an interesting lecture on the three degrees in Masonry.

On May 3, 1870, a petition to the R. W. Grand Lodge for a warrant for a new Lodge in Morgantown, Berks County, was read and on motion of Brother P. M. E. J. Rauch the usual resolution for recommendation was unanimously adopted.

On December 6, 1870, 105 members being present, at a Stated Meeting it was resolved that this Lodge recognize in Brother William Barger, P. G. M. of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, a bright and zealous Mason, one to whom the Fraternity of Free Masons in Pennsylvania are largely indebted, not only for the purity of their work, but for their present prosperity. It was further resolved that this Lodge thank Brother P. G. M. Barger for the instruction and fostering care he has so often given to it and that we can best show our appreciation of his efforts in our behalf by endeavoring to practice the principles he has so often and so ably laid down for our guidance. It was also unanimously adopted that the charity committee be instructed to present one barrel of flour, one ton of coal and one turkey to each of the widows under the care of this Lodge as a Christmas gift. At the same meeting the following officers were elected: George W. Grant, Worshipful Master; William A. Sands, Senior Warden; George W. Phelps, Junior Warden; William G. VonNeida, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; William S. Ritter, Amos B. Wanner and J. C. A. Hoffeditz, Trustees.

The Auditor's report, presented at the Stated Meeting of January 3, 1871, showed among other items a treasury balance of

\$355.34; the receipt of interest on investments, \$448.37; expenditures for charity \$376.58; for rent and insurance \$160; for Grand Lodge dues \$384; for horse hire \$18.50, and for funeral expenses \$278.24. The Lodge had over \$6,000 in investments, and its membership was 348.

The auditors, John C. A. Hoffeditz, Amos Hooker and Jerome L. Boyer, reported that the expenditures had almost equalled the income, and recommended a retrenchment in expenses. On motion of the Secretary a donation of \$50 was granted to certain brothers, sufferers by the fire at the Fink and Eisenhower Mill, who had lost all their tools.

At the Stated Meeting in March, 1871, 36 members were present and 7 visitors.

At the Stated Meeting of September 5, 1871, a visiting Brother from Lodge No. 40, Wheeling, W. Va., offered a few remarks soliciting charity, and on motion, a donation of \$10 was granted him.

On November 7, 1871, a communication was read from the R. W. Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, appealing for aid in behalf of the suffering of Chicago. Whereupon, on motion, a donation of \$100 was granted, \$50 for Chicago and \$50 for the sufferers of the Northwest. It is interesting to find that the great Chicago fire of October 8-9, 1871, had its effects in the meeting room of Chandler Lodge.

On December 5, 1871, the Lodge considered the advisability of donating \$50 to the Masonic reading room, and of renting the third story of the City Hall for the use of the various Masonic Lodges. The following officers were elected: William A. Sands, Worshipful Master; George W. Phelps, Senior Warden; William S. Ritter, Junior Warden; William G. VonNeida, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; William S. Ritter, Amos B. Wanner and J. C. A. Hoffeditz, Trustees.

On January 2, 1872, P. M. S. E. Ancona was appointed D. D. G. M. for the Fourth Masonic District. Two grievance cases were settled out of court to the satisfaction of all. Upon retirement of D. D. G. M. Brother Joseph L. Stichter, it was resolved that Chandler Lodge, No. 227, A. Y. M. deeply regret to sever the official relations

that have so long and agreeably existed between Brother Joseph L. Stichter and Chandler. On motion of D. D. G. M. Ancona the trustees were instructed to take an inventory of the property of the Lodge and also to endeavor to recover the lost property, pictures, cane, etc.

On March 5, 1872, two inquiries were received from lodges in New England States as to whether the parties whose names were listed were made Masons in Chandler Lodge. This was a common occurrence, and apparently many profane represented themselves as Masons. Lodge charity was easily obtained at this period.

On April 2, 1872, the case of charity of Mrs. S—— was brought up and remarks were made by several of the Brethren in her behalf, when a collection was taken among the Brethren and \$20 collected towards the purchase of a sewing machine for her. Brother J. W. William S. Ritter laid upon the secretary's desk a Masonic Register for Berks County, when on motion the secretary was instructed to procure a sufficient number to serve each member with a copy.

On May 7, 1872, a communication was received from the R. W. Grand Master with a communication enclosed from the R. W. G. M. of Michigan, giving information of clandestine-made Masons within the respective jurisdictions, advising the greatest caution in the examination and recognition of visitors, and recommending that brethren about to visit other Lodges provide themselves with Grand Lodge certificates of recent date. A communication was read from St. John's Lodge, No. 435, embodying resolutions of instructions to the trustees of said Lodge to rent and furnish the third story of the City Hall for Masonic purposes and inviting the cooperation of the Masonic bodies now meeting in this hall. On motion of P. M. E. J. Rauch, it was resolved that the communication be received and the trustees instructed to act in conjunction with the trustees of St. John's Lodge, No. 435, in carrying out the spirit of the resolution at as early a day as possible.

At a special meeting held on June 4, 1872, \$500 was subscribed toward the establishment of a Masonic Home in Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia. D. D. G. M. Sydenham E. Ancona was chosen representative of the Lodge. The Trustees were instructed, on motion of

Brother P. M. John C. A. Hoffeditz, to cooperate with the Trustees of Lodge 62 in the project of building a Masonic Hall in Reading.

On July 2, 1872, the Worshipful Master announced the following committee for the celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the institution of Chandler Lodge, on May 4, 1873: D. D. Grand Master S. E. Ancona, chairman; P. M. E. J. Rauch, P. M. J. C. A. Hoffeditz,, P. M. Henry A. Tyson and Charles F. Ware. The Lodge granted \$50 to the Brethren and Lodge at Somerset, Pa., suffering from a fire.

At this meeting it was decided to change the stated place of meeting of Chandler Lodge, No. 227, A. Y. M., to the new Masonic Lodge room in the third story of the City Hall, Northeast corner of Fifth and Franklin Streets, Reading.

At a Special Meeting held in the new Masonic Hall in City Hall on July 16, 1872, with 103 members and 10 visitors present, a communication from St. John's Lodge, No. 435, was, at the request of Bro. William S. Ritter, J. W., read and its terms ratified, whereby the trustees of St. John's Lodge agreed to rent the room for \$200 per annum, and to furnish janitor and light.

At the meeting of December 3, 1872, the following officers were elected: George W. Phelps, Worshipful Master; William S. Ritter, Senior Warden; John E. Arthur, Junior Warden; William G. VonNeida, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; William S. Ritter, E. J. Rauch and George W. Grant, Trustees.

A Communication from St. John's Lodge was read as follows:

"Brethren: The Trustees of St. John's Lodge, No. 435, have been instructed to make the following proposition to you in regard to the renting and furnishing of the new Masonic Lodge room over the City Hall, now occupied by your Lodge.

The whole cost of furnishing the room was a little more than \$5,000. The exact amount can be ascertained, should you determine to take an interest in the same. It is proposed to divide the whole cost into as many shares as there are bodies meeting in the room, namely, six, which would make each share about \$850, and should any of the other Masonic bodies now meeting elsewhere conclude to use said room, the cost of the share would then be reduced in proportion. The cost of rent, gas, janitor services, and repairs and improvements would then be divided pro rata.

These bodies occupying said room not considering it advisable to take a share in the furniture, it is proposed to charge as annual rental for the use of furniture, repairs, etc., the sum of \$200, payable quarterly with the exception of Teutonia Lodge, No. 367, who are to pay \$150 per annum.

All of which is respectfully submitted for your consideration.

Very truly and Fraternally yours,

EDWARD H. SHEARER.

On February 4, 1873, preliminary arrangements were made for the courteous reception and proper Masonic entertainment of the officers of the county lodges, Williamson, Huguenot, Vaux and Union, who with the officers and members of Lodges 62, Chandler, Teutonia and St. John's convened in this hall on and during Friday morning, afternoon and evening, February 21, for the purpose of exemplifying the work in all the degrees, the conduct of business, and to secure accuracy and uniformity and promote Masonic intercourse among the brethren.

On March 4, 1873, it was decided to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the institution of Chandler Lodge with an old fashioned Masonic Barbecue at Rose Valley Park (known also as the Schweitzer House). The celebration was held at that place on Saturday, May 3, 1873 by members and their families. A deficiency expenditure of \$275 was incurred and paid.

On August 5, 1873, a communication was read from the R. W. G. L. in relation to the dedication of the new Masonic Temple in Philadelphia on September 26, and the matter was referred to the officers as a committee to make the necessary arrangements. Five hundred tickets were purchased. Past Master Samuel McDonnell was accidentally killed at the dedication in Philadelphia.

On December 2, 1873, officers were elected as follows: William S. Ritter, Worshipful Master; Charles S. Bickley, Senior Warden; George C. Wilson, Junior Warden; William G. VonNeida, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; J. C. A. Hoffeditz, William A. Sands and George W. Phelps, Trustees.

FIFTH MEETING PLACE (1873-1902)



City Hall

The Fifth Lodge Hall was located on the third floor of City Hall on the northeast corner of Fifth and Franklin Streets. St. John's Lodge, No. 435, had taken previous action in leasing and furnishing the hall, and all other Masonic bodies subsequently removed to this hall. Chandler Lodge and most of the other Masonic bodies purchased equal shares in the furniture and equipment.

Entrance was made by a stairway at the front or Fifth Street side of the building. The customary waiting room, preparing room, examining room and hallway were near the stairway. The station of the Worshipful Master was at the East end or Sixth Street side. The stations had the customary elevation or raised platforms, and the room was draped in blue. A number of paintings adorned the East, among them being that of Brother J. O. D. Lilly, the first Worshipful Master of Chandler Lodge, and those of other early Past Masters.

The Lodge Room was rather small in size, and greatly in need of repairs and refurnishing when the lodges moved to Masonic Temple.

The Masonic Board of Relief reported on February 3, 1874, that 15 contributions had been made to Masons of Reading affiliated with out-of-town Lodges, or to their widows. Some were members of foreign lodges in England, Scotland and Germany. That board no longer exists, possibly because it encouraged imposters.

On March 3, 1874, the committee on dedication of Masonic Temple at Philadelphia reported a balance of \$452.37. This was donated to the Masonic Board of Relief.

On June 2, 1874, the Worshipful Master stated that a serious difference had arisen between a Brother and himself, and that the Brother had expressed his determination at a public place to use a black ball against one of the applicants to be balloted on a second time that evening, whereupon the Brother arose in his place and offered a few remarks of explanation. Brother D. D. G. M. S. E. Ancona arose and delivered an address on the use and abuse of the black ball.

The Monument Committee was authorized to contract with Brother William Leas for the erection of a monument on the Chandler lot in Charles Evans Cemetery at a cost not to exceed the sum of \$500.

On July 7, 1874 a donation of \$100 was ordered for sufferers in the Mississippi River flood in Louisiana.

On December 1, 1874, Brother P. M. S. E. Ancona offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

“Resolved, That from and after the ensuing Masonic year commencing with the 27th of December, 1874, a certain proportion of

all receipts for initiation and membership shall be set apart and invested from time to time under the direction of the trustees, with the approval of the Lodge, in first mortgage bonds or like securities for the establishment of a permanent charity fund, the interest thereof to be reinvested as it accrues in like manner, until the sum reaches the full sum of \$10,000, after which the interest may be appropriated for the charities of the Lodge in aid of its members, their widows, and orphans.

“Resolved: That the Past Masters of the Lodge be and they are hereby constituted a committee to report such amendments to the By-Laws or other provisions or regulations for the proper management of this fund”.

On December 1, 1874, the following officers were elected: Charles S. Bickley, Worshipful Master; George C. Wilson, Senior Warden; William G. Rowe, Junior Warden; William G. VonNeida, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; William A. Sands, J. C. A. Hoffeditz and William S. Ritter, Trustees.

On March 2, 1875, the Lodge amended its By-Laws by adopting, subject to the approval of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, an Article 14 for the government of the newly authorized permanent charity fund. The fund was to be maintained by appropriations from the treasury and by the allocation to it of one half of all initiation and membership fees, and of all interest earned by the fund, and no appropriation was to be made from it until it had reached the amount of \$10,000. It was to be managed by a board of three trustees with staggered incumbencies, and, after the first year, one trustee was to be elected each year for a term of three years to fill the vacancy then occurring. Vacancies arising for other reason than the expiration of a term were to be filled for the unexpired term by the Lodge at a stated meeting. Investments of the fund were restricted to First Mortgage Bonds, secured by improved real estate in the City of Reading, worth at least double the amount loaned thereon. Investments could also be made in bonds of the United States, the State of Pennsylvania, the City of Reading, and of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. No loan could be made to any member of Chandler Lodge.

On August 3, 1875, the first trustees of the permanent Relief Fund were elected as follows: George W. Grant, Henry A. Tyson and Joel K. Babb.

On October 5, 1875, a communication was read from the Masonic Hall Association of the City of Reading, inviting this Lodge to participate in the ceremonies of laying the corner stone of the New Masonic Hall on North Sixth Street, by the R. W. Grand Master and officers of the R. W. Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, on Thursday October 7, 1875, at 12 o'clock. On motion of P. M. Hoffeditz, it was resolved that the communication be received and the invitation accepted and this Lodge participate in the ceremonies and agree to pay a proportionate share of the expenses of the band, etc.

On December 7, 1875, the following officers were elected: George C. Wilson, Worshipful Master; William G. Rowe, Senior Warden; W. Jesse Orr, Junior Warden; William S. Ritter, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Trustees of General Fund, George W. Phelps, Charles S. Bickley and William A. Sands; Trustees of Relief Fund, George H. Mengel, one year, Joel K. Babb, two years and George W. Grant, three years.

On March 7, 1876, the Worshipful Master was, on motion, instructed to confer with the presiding officers of the different Masonic bodies with a view to the retiring of our worthy old Tyler, Stephen Orth, of Lodge No. 62, with an allowance of pay.

On December 5, 1876, the election of officers resulted as follows: William G. Rowe, Worshipful Master; W. Jesse Orr, Senior Warden; John L. Snell, Junior Warden; William S. Ritter, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Trustee of General Fund, William G. VonNeida, for three years; Trustee of Charity Fund, George H. Mengel, for three years.

A petition to the R. W. Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania was read from a number of brethren praying for a warrant for a new lodge to be constituted and held in this city. On motion of the Secretary, the same was recommended, whereupon the following resolution was unanimously adopted, to wit: Resolved that the above petition be recommended to the favorable consideration of the R. W. Grand Lodge.

The new Lodge subsequently created became Reading Lodge No. 549.

In February, 1877, a request was made by Reading Lodge, No. 549, for the use of the working implements belonging to Chandler Lodge. On motion of the Secretary said request was granted.

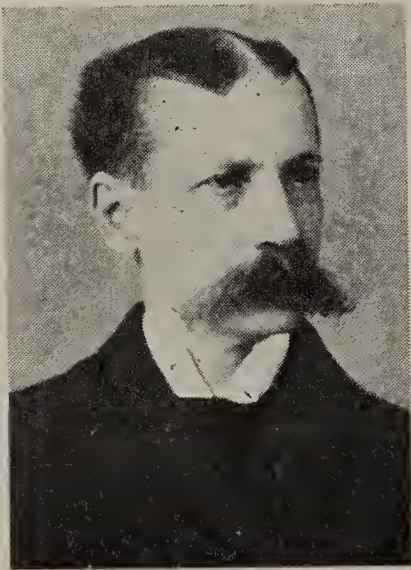
It is interesting to note that at this time practically every Stated meeting of the Lodge received at least one communication from some Lodge notifying Chandler of the expulsion of a member of that Lodge for gross unmasonic conduct or intemperance.

During this year the trustees of the various Masonic bodies of Reading were considering the financing of the Masonic Hall then in progress of construction on North Sixth Street. In March the trustees of the Lodge, George W. Phelps, Charles S. Bickley and William G. VonNeida, reported to the Lodge "that we are not prepared at the present time to recommend our Lodge to invest its funds in that enterprise."

On December 4, the Lodge was notified of a reduction of its rent to \$160 per annum, and a note of thanks was tendered the Board of Trustees for their generosity.

The following officers were elected for 1878; W. Jesse Orr, Worshipful Master; Henry R. Laucks, Senior Warden; Samuel F. Guss, Junior Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Trustees of General Fund, George W. Phelps, three years; George W. Durell, one year; Trustee of Charity Fund, Joel K. Babb, three years.

CHARLES A. SAYLOR



Charles A. Saylor was born in Schuylkill Haven, Pennsylvania in 1838, and graduated from the Central High school of Philadelphia. For fifty years he followed photography in this locality, enjoying a high reputation in that work, and becoming widely known among the citizens of Reading. Most of the early photographs in this book are products of Brother Saylor.

In the early 70's he conducted two studios on Penn Street, one at Sixth and Penn Streets (now the Pomeroy store site) and another at Fifth and Penn Streets (old Fashion store corner). In later years he conducted a picture gallery and studio at 411 North Sixth Street. He retired from business in 1912.

Brother Saylor was active in Republican politics and served three terms (1873-83) on the local school board, representing the Seventh Ward.

Brother Saylor was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge October 22, 1864. He served as Worshipful Master in 1868. He was also a member of DeMolay (E. C. in 1870) Commandery, No. 9, Knights Templar, and Rajah Temple. Brother Saylor died at his residence, 121 North Sixth Street, Reading, on October 9, 1921, aged 83 years.

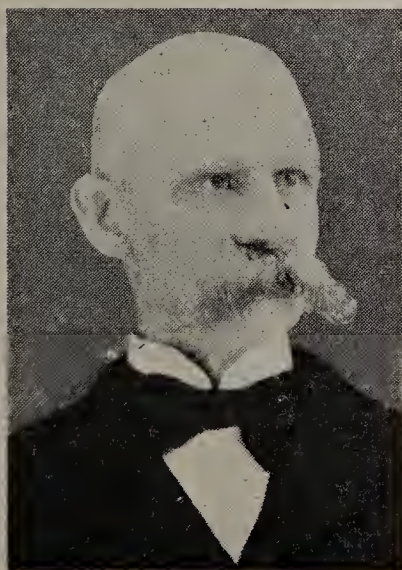
JOHN B. MAXTON



John B. Maxton was born in 1834. He was a machinist by trade, but at an early age entered the grocery business, trading as Frame and Maxton, and in 1867 conducted his own business establishment at Fourth and Bingaman Streets, Reading. He served as Alderman of the First Ward for a number of years, and at the time of his death was a time keeper at the Reading Iron Works. He served in the Union Army during the Civil War, and was a member of the M. E. Church. Brother

Maxton was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge September 13, 1863, and served as Worshipful Master in 1869. He died April 9, 1889 and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery, Reading.

GEORGE W. GRANT



George W. Grant was born in Reading in 1842, and at an early age entered the employ of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company. For a number of years he served as a passenger conductor on the main line.

When the Civil War broke out he enlisted in Co. B, 88th Regiment, P. V. as a private, but was soon made a sergeant and later lieutenant and captain. He was captured at Gettysburg and became a Libby prisoner. He was appointed Postmaster of Reading by President Grant. Upon his retirement as Postmaster, he toured the west as a lecturer on the Battle of Gettysburg. He also was en-

gaged in the novelty business for a number of years, conducting the "Little Store 'Round the Corner", at 15 North Sixth Street. He later moved to Minneapolis, where he served as Quartermaster of the Minnesota Soldiers' Home for six years until he was disabled by a stroke of paralysis. He was active in Republican politics and in the G. A. R. Brother Grant helped organize McLean Post, No. 16, in 1866 and was named Senior Vice Commander in 1868.

Brother Grant was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge July 19, 1865, and served as Worshipful Master in 1870 and in 1871. He was a charter member of Reading Commandery, K. T., No. 42, drafted its by-laws, served on its first board of trustees, and became its third Eminent Commander. He died at Minneapolis, Minn., on April 11, 1901, and was buried at Lakewood Cemetery in that city.

WILLIAM A. SANDS

Colonel William A. Sands was born in Montgomery County in 1819, and at an early age became a salesman in the general store of William Eckert at Fourth and Penn Streets, Reading. Later, with Daniel Baum, he engaged in the general store business on North Fifth Street, until the business failed. Colonel Sands was known for his honesty and spent many years thereafter in paying off a large personal indebtedness.

His services were much in demand as an auctioneer, and he was engaged in that capacity in the South when the Civil War broke out. He rushed home and entered the army as first lieutenant in Captain J. C. A. Hoffeditz's company. When Captain Hoffeditz resigned while the company was stationed at "Camp Hoffeditz", Baltimore, Md., he was succeeded by Captain Sands. For a time he was on Governor Curtin's staff. He was captured by the enemy in 1864 and was taken to Libby prison. Long before the war broke out he had taken an active interest in military matters, having had charge as first lieutenant of the "Reading Dragoons", subsequently known as "Reading City Troop". He held the office of U. S. Gauger in the Berks County District for almost 20 years. He was a lifelong member and vestryman of Trinity Lutheran Church.

Brother Sands was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on November 6, 1855, and served as Worshipful Master in 1872. He died July 27, 1897.

GEORGE W. PHELPS

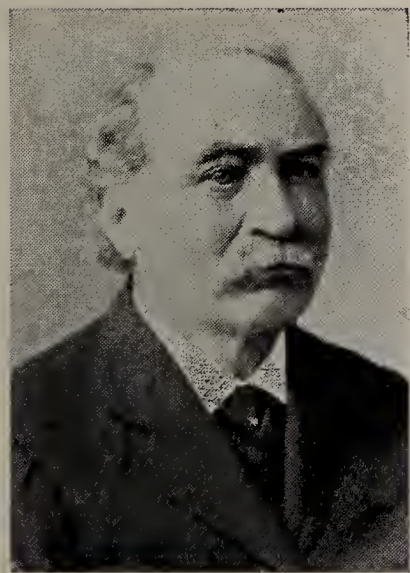
George W. Phelps was born in 1823 in Vermont. After completing his education, he became a school teacher, and later joined the Ætna Life Insurance Company. He was transferred to Reading and became general agent for that company with offices at 40 North Sixth Street. He remained in Reading about 15 years and then purchased a fruit farm at Seaford, Del., to which he removed, and where he remained until death.

While in Reading he took an active part in the Sunday School of the old South Fourth Street M. E. Church, of which he was a member. He was also a director in the Reading School Board.

Brother Phelps was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge April 17, 1866, and served as Worshipful Master in 1873. He was a member of Reading Commandery, No. 42, and served as Prelate and Trustee for the first year of its existence.

He died at Seaford, Del., on January 15, 1893, and was buried at Shelburne, Vermont.

WILLIAM S. RITTER



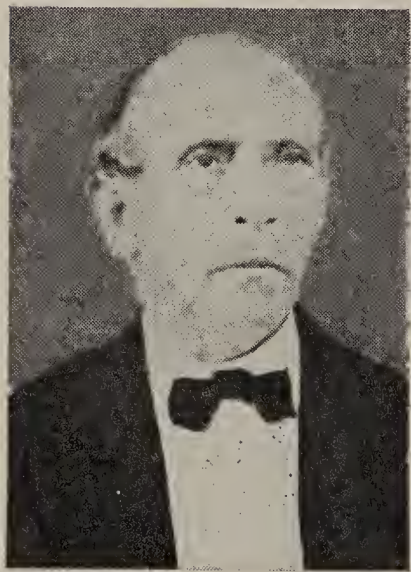
William Snyder Ritter was born in Exeter Township in 1828. He attended the public schools of that township until 17 years of age and was then apprenticed to the "Reading Adler" to learn the art of printing. He remained with that establishment until 1856, when he engaged in the mercantile business. In 1864 he returned to the printing business, and in 1876 erected the first extensive printing establishment in Reading. For a number of years he published the Reading Eagle in partnership with Jesse Hawley. He and other members of the Ritter family owned and published the Reading Adler, one of the early German newspapers in the United States, for over a century.

He served three terms as a member of Common Council and was its president. He also served two terms as prison inspector.

Brother Ritter was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge October 5, 1852, and served as Worshipful Master in 1874. He was treasurer of Chandler Lodge in 1876 and 1877.

He died May 2, 1891, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

CHARLES S. BICKLEY



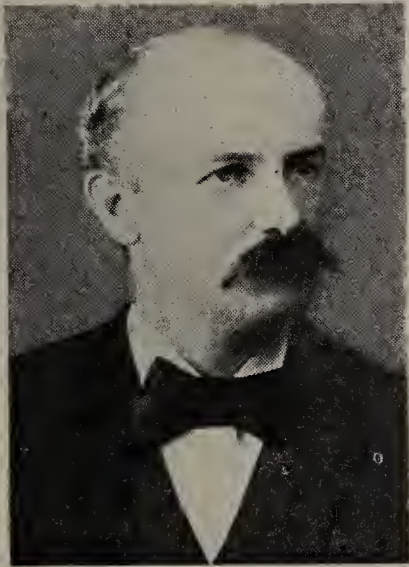
Charles S. Bickley was born in a log cabin that stood at Sixth and Penn Streets, Reading, in 1807. He moved to Pittsburgh in 1829 and lived there 20 years. After that, he removed to Philadelphia, then to Hamburg, and finally to Reading. Upon his return to Reading, he became captain of a boat running from Reading to Philadelphia, carrying coal, pig iron, merchandise, etc. He then entered the salt business and had his salt depot at the foot of Penn Street, where he conducted a busy wharf. In 1881, he entered the baking business at 323 Penn Street, where he conducted a large and extensive business until his death.

Brother Bickley was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on March 5, 1867, and served as Worshipful Master in 1875. He was also a member of Excelsior Chapter, No. 237, and a charter member of Reading Commandery, No. 42, K. T.

He served as Treasurer of Reading Commandery from its constitution until 1874.

Brother Bickley died October 1, 1893, aged 86 years. He was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

GEORGE C. WILSON, SR.



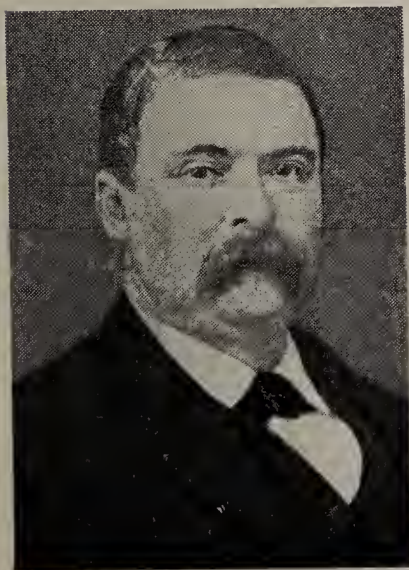
George Cookman Wilson Sr., was born in Reading in 1847 and was educated in the local grammar schools. He became a machinist and was employed at the P. and R. Shops as a layer-out of sheet metal tanks and boilers. He was a member of St. Paul's Reformed Church.

Brother Wilson was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge July 20, 1869. He served as Worshipful Master in 1876 and as Treasurer from 1896 to 1899. He was a member of Reading Royal Arch Chapter, No. 152, which he served as High Priest in 1888, and was a member of Reading Commandery, No. 42, which he served as Eminent Commander in 1895. He was a member of both Lu Lu and Rajah Temples, Mystic Shriners.

Brother Wilson was very active in degree work. Masons will readily understand this from his having held the offices of Worshipful Master, High Priest and Eminent Commander through many years. The regular attendance and the arduous labors connected with Brother Wilson's Masonic career constitute a generous gift by him of his life-long service to our order.

Brother Wilson died March 11, 1917, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

WILLIAM G. ROWE



William G. Rowe was born in Cumberland County August 13, 1841. He was educated in the common schools of Reading, and learned the trade of blacksmith under his father. Upon his return from active military service in the Civil War, he became a partner with his father in the blacksmithing business, remaining at the same old stand, on Cherry Street below Fourth, for a long period of time. He had a reputation for expertness in horse-shoeing.

He was active in Republican politics and served three years in Common Council. In 1881 he defeated Past Master Henry A. Tyson

as a candidate for Mayor of Reading, and was reelected in 1883. His election and reelection, in a then powerful Democratic stronghold, exhibits in a high degree the popularity which he enjoyed in Reading.

Brother Rowe was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on January 17, 1871. He became Worshipful Master in 1877 and also served as Treasurer 1878 to 1895, a period of 17 years. He died January 5, 1896, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

CHAPTER IV

1878-1888

The decade 1878-1888 included a brief period when attendance at meetings was slipping downward, but the pendulum soon swung toward greater interest. Nevertheless, the world-wide depression of 1873 continued, without doubt, to exercise during its long duration a somewhat cramping effect upon purely voluntary organizations. During this decade the lodge frequently evinced its alacrity in responding to every proper call upon it for pecuniary benevolence. In this decade, the project for a Masonic Home for the indigent came to a head. The Committee of Fifteen was created by the Grand Lodge on June 6, 1883, to confer with a committee made up from the membership of the subordinate Lodges in the jurisdiction. At the following Quarterly Communication of Grand Lodge, the subject was recommended to the Committee of Fifteen, who held further conferences with the committee of the subordinate Lodges. Having unanimously agreed upon their recommendations, the Committee of Fifteen presented their report to the Grand Lodge on December 5, 1883, at the Quarterly Communication. The report observed that since the Grand Lodge is the Supreme Authority within the order, "it should, in all its actions, carefully protect itself from any mischief which inconsiderate legislation by itself might, even unsuspectingly, permit. It therefore becomes of the greatest moment in all matters which, in themselves, do not absolutely demand the control and government by the Grand Lodge in their practical execution or administration—because there may be something of Masonic character attached to them—that the Grand Lodge in its sovereign capacity should not officially intervene. The establishment therefore of a Home for Aged and Indigent Master Masons is one of those enterprises over which the Grand Lodge must either assume entire exclusive authority, or leave it where it properly belongs, to the care and oversight, and control of brethren who voluntarily associate for this purpose.

"There appears, now, to be no difference of opinion that the latter course, in this respect, ought to be adopted. The Grand Lodge has officially promulgated that 'it approves of the establishment of a Home for Aged and Indigent Master Masons'. This approval by the Grand Lodge, in the broad and fraternal spirit which it adopts ex-

tends to subordinate lodges and brethren of the Craft of Free and Accepted Masons the privilege of forming a voluntary association for this purpose, if they so please. If such an association is organized with a wise prudence, it should have the absolute and entire government of so laudable an institution."

The Grand Lodge accordingly by resolution reaffirmed its approval of the establishment of the home as pronounced by it on June 6, 1883, further declared that it deemed further action by it unnecessary, and discharged the Committee of Fifteen. Thus, in 1883, the ground was cleared and the foundation laid for the subsequent association of all Masons within the jurisdiction, and for the creation of the Home.

On January 1, 1878, Brother P. M. William S. Ritter, late treasurer, stated that he had deposited in the Dime Savings Bank the funds of the Lodge and in consequence of the failure of said bank he was unable to pay over the balance in the treasury amounting to \$554.60, and intimated a desire to be relieved therefrom, when on motion of P. M. George C. Wilson, the matter was referred to the trustees for examination and report at a future meeting.

Brother P. M. William S. Ritter also stated that he held in his possession a gold watch belonging to one of the members of this Lodge, which he had taken from a pawn broker some two years ago and desired the Lodge to take some action in the matter. On motion of Past Master S. E. Ancona, it was ordered that an order of \$25 be drawn in favor of Brother Ritter, and that the watch be placed in the hands of the trustees and an opportunity be given the brother to redeem the same.

The trustees, to whom was committed the matter of the account in the failed Dime Savings Bank, later recommended to the Lodge that in view of the relations between Masons and the responsibilities of the Lodge, P. M. Ritter should not in their opinion ask for any abatement at this time, that he ought at his earliest convenience close the account with the Lodge, but that, if he found it inconvenient to do so at this time, they would recommend that he pay over \$54.60 into the Lodge treasury, and that the balance of the account in the failed bank, amounting to \$500., should be considered a loan from the Lodge to him.

On March 5, 1878, Brother Louis M. Chasteau, J. W. of William B. Schneider Lodge, No. 419, Philadelphia, arose and delivered a short address, expressing sentiments of fraternal feeling toward this Lodge from the Brethren of Lodge No. 419, for favors shown them upon the occasion of their visit to this city in January last, when attending the funeral of Brother John H. Anderson, late member of said Lodge. And as a further token of their fraternal regard, Brothers Past Masters John Wilcox and Robert Steel, in behalf of said Lodge No. 419, presented to W. M. W. Jesse Orr, for this Lodge, a beautiful Worshipful Master regalia and jewel, which was received with remarks on behalf of this Lodge by W. M. Orr, Past Masters Ancona, Strickland, Durell, Mulligan and Grant and D. D. G. M. Shearer.

On April 2, 1878, the secretary, chairman of the committee on anniversary celebration, reported that the committee had agreed upon a celebration to take place in the Lodge room on Saturday evening, May 4, the exercises to consist of an address by P. G. M. Richard Vaux, music by the Reading Choral Society, and refreshments, the price of tickets to be 50 cents for members and 25 cents for ladies. Brother P. M. George C. Wilson offered a motion that tickets be presented to such members as may be too poor to pay for them, but this motion, after an explanation by the committee, failed to pass.

On May 7, 1878, the Lodge by unanimous resolution, tendered their thanks to Brother E. A. Berg, and to the ladies and gentlemen composing the choir that furnished the excellent music on the occasion of the reception in honor of the 30th anniversary of the Lodge. On July 2, 1878, a communication was read from Reading Commandery, No. 42, Knights Templar, inviting the members of Chandler Lodge to accompany them on their Grand Excursion to Atlantic City on July 17.

On September 3, 1878, a donation of \$50 was granted to the R. W. Grand Secretary on account of this Lodge for the sufferers from yellow fever in the South.

On December 3, 1878, Brother P. M. S. E. Ancona offered the following Resolution, which was adopted, to wit: "that a committee of three be appointed to secure for the Lodge, Brother James A.

Hopkins or other distinguished brethren to deliver lectures before the Lodge occasionally."

The following officers were elected: Henry R. Laucks, Worshipful Master; Samuel F. Guss, Senior Warden; Isaac E. Robinson, Junior Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Trustee of General Fund, George W. Durell; Trustee of Relief Fund, George W. Grant.

Meetings were rather poorly attended during 1879, and the minutes contain nothing deemed of interest to the members today. However, financial aid continued to be given to needy Masonic cases, and the funeral expenses of the widow of a deceased Brother were paid.

On December 2, 1879, the following were elected: Samuel F. Guss, Worshipful Master; Isaac E. Robinson, Senior Warden; A. Harvey Tyson, Junior Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Trustee of General Fund, William G. Von-Neida; Trustee of Charity Fund, George H. Mengel.

It was moved and adopted that Chandler Lodge give a supper on the evening of St. John's Day, and a committee was appointed to make the necessary arrangements.

On January 6, 1880, the cases of certain orphan boys of Masonic parentage were referred to the officers and to the representative, with instructions to use every endeavor to have them admitted to Girard College.

On November 2, 1880, the Worshipful Master asked for an order of \$2.50 donation granted a traveling Brother, which on motion was granted.

On December 7, 1880, the following officers were elected: Isaac E. Robinson, Worshipful Master; A. Harvey Tyson, Senior Warden; John E. Goodman, Junior Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Trustee to General Fund, George W. Phelps; Trustee to Charity Fund, Joel K. Babb.

Attendance was poor during the year. Some times less than a dozen members attended, outside of the Chairs.

On June 7, 1881, a communication was read from Lodges No. 224 and 516 at Danville, Pa., inviting this Lodge to the corner stone

laying of Christ Episcopal Church on June 24 next, which on motion duly seconded was received and referred to the officers with power to act. The trip was made by many members and their families at the very low rate of \$1.00. This large church was completely destroyed by fire in 1948.

On December 6, 1881, the following officers were elected: A. Harvey Tyson, Worshipful Master; John E. Goodman, Senior Warden; Joseph R. Robinson, Junior Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Trustee to General Fund, George W. Durell; Trustee to Charity Fund, George W. Grant.

Attendance during the year was poor. Provision and arrangements were made for the St. John's Day banquet.

On February 9, 1882, a communication was received from Grand Lodge inviting the Lodge to cooperate to its utmost ability with the Grand Lodge in the celebration on June 24, 1882, of the 150th Anniversary of the organization of the Grand Lodge in Pennsylvania. The Grand Lodge asked to be promptly told how many aprons would be necessary, and offered to supply them at cost. The communication was signed by Michael Nisbet, Grand Secretary, acting under orders of the committee on Sesqui-Centennial Celebration.

On May 2, 1882, the Worshipful Master stated that the Sisters of Charity of St. Joseph's Hospital had called several times to solicit a donation for said hospital, whereupon on motion a donation of \$50 was granted.

On December 5, 1882, the following officers were elected: John E. Goodman, Worshipful Master; Joseph R. Robinson, Senior Warden; John Shadel, Junior Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Trustee of General Fund, Henry J. Richards; Trustee of Charity Fund, William H. Becker.

On May 1, 1883, a communication was read from Dr. Murray Weidman, for the Reading Hospital, soliciting aid in behalf of said hospital, and on motion it was resolved that a donation of \$50 be granted.

On June 6, 1883, the following important communication was received from the Grand Lodge: "Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Lodge approves of the establishment of a home for aged and indigent

Master Masons and that the R. W. Grand Master appoint a committee of 15 to confer and advise with the committee appointed by many of the subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction to consider the subject, said committee to report at a future communication of the Grand Lodge. Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Secretary be and is hereby authorized to send to the several Lodges within this jurisdiction a certified copy of the foregoing resolution." Out of this project, already discussed in Masonic circles for a number of years, grew the Home at Philadelphia.

On December 4, 1883 the following officers were elected: Henry R. Laucks, Worshipful Master; Abraham Seivard, Senior Warden; Joseph W. Day, Junior Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Trustees of General Fund, James P. Sellers, three years; Henry Homan, one year; Trustees of Charity Fund, Joel K. Babb, three years, George H. Mengel, one year.

The minutes for 1884 show little beyond the routine business, social, and charitable activities of the Lodge. However, the Grand Lodge and the subordinate lodges, including Chandler, were in communication with reference to the project for a home for aged and indigent Masons. Plans thereto were maturing. Furthermore, attendance at the meetings was improving, and such improvement continued during the next year. Visitations by members of other Lodges were numerous.

On December 2, 1884, the following officers were elected: Abraham Seivard, Worshipful Master; Joseph W. Day, Senior Warden; Benjamin W. Grist, Junior Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Trustee to General Fund, Henry L. Homan; Trustees to Charity Fund, Jesse Orr, three years; Henry A. Focht, one year.

On January 6, 1885, a communication from the R. W. G. M. to Henry A. Tyson, appointing him D. D. G. M. for the Seventh District, was read.

On February 3, 1885, a letter from 15 members of the Lodge who resided at Birdsboro was received. In it they asked to be notified of Lodge meetings and of the business to be transacted.

On December 1, 1885, the following officers were elected: Joseph W. Day, Worshipful Master; Benjamin W. Grist, Senior Warden; Isaac Lawrence, Junior Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer;

Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Trustee to General Fund, Henry J. Richards; Trustee to Charity Fund, Joel K. Babb.

On January 5, 1886, the Worshipful Master announced the death of a brother at Camden, N. J., whose body was brought to this city and interred at Charles Evans Cemetery. On motion of P. M. S. E. Ancona the following bills were paid: The bill incurred at Camden for borrowed money, \$25, the Camden undertaker's bill \$35, and the donation granted the Worshipful Master \$20. The Camden physician's bill was referred to the charity committee.

On May 4, 1886, the Secretary, Brother Henry A. Tyson, offered the following resolution which was adopted, to wit: Resolved that Chandler Lodge, No. 227, become a member of The Home for Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania, and that an order for \$100 be drawn for that purpose.

On motion of the treasurer, William G. Rowe, it was resolved that W. M. Joseph W. Day be chosen representative in said home for this Lodge.

Thus, Chandler Lodge early availed itself of the future benefits to be derived from Lodge membership in the Home.

On September 7, 1886, the Lodge received a communication from Grand Lodge, recommending to Chandler Lodge that it celebrate the Centennial Anniversary of the Independence of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, preferably by the delivery of historical or other Masonic addresses by competent brethren, in the Lodge room of Chandler. A date on or about the 25th of September was suggested.

On October 5, 1886, a communication was received from the R. W. Grand Master, making an appeal for aid in behalf of the brethren suffering from the earthquake at Charleston, S. C., whereupon, on motion, a donation of \$25 was granted. Thus, the minutes of Chandler Lodge reflect by its benefactions, the great disasters which Nature has visited upon our nation.

On December 7, 1886, the following officers were elected: Benjamin W. Grist, Worshipful Master; Isaac Lawrence, Senior Warden; William F. Shanaman, Junior Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Trustee of General Fund, James P. Sellers; Trustee of Charity Fund, Henry A. Focht.

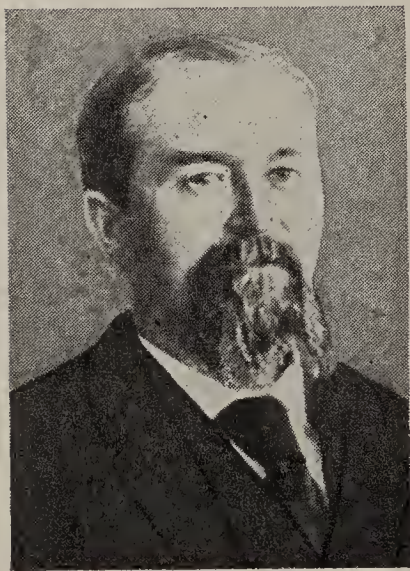
On June 7, 1887, a communication was received from the Board of Managers of the Home for Friendless Children of this city, whereupon a donation of \$25 was granted.

Forty dollars was ordered to be paid toward the burial expenses of a Mason's widow, who died in Philadelphia and was buried in Pottsville. The Grand Lodge charity fund assumed the remainder of the expense.

On December 6, 1887, a communication was read from Williamson Lodge, No. 307, Womelsdorf, stating there existed on the part of said Lodge a Masonic objection to Chandler Lodge acting upon the petition for initiation and membership of four petitioners of the previous month.

The following officers were elected to serve during the year 1888: Benjamin W. Grist, Worshipful Master; W. Isaac Lawrence, Senior Warden; William F. Shanaman, Junior Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Henry L. Homan, Trustee to General Fund, and Jesse Orr, Trustee to Charity Fund.

W. JESSE ORR



W. Jesse Orr was born in Pikeland Township, Chester County, Pennsylvania, March 29, 1839. After obtaining a fair education in the common schools of his native township, he engaged in merchandising at Parker Ford until the year 1867, when he moved to Reading. Soon after his arrival in the city he became president of the Reading Stove Company, one of the largest manufacturing firms in the city, which responsible position he held for a quarter of a century, or until his death, June 6, 1892.

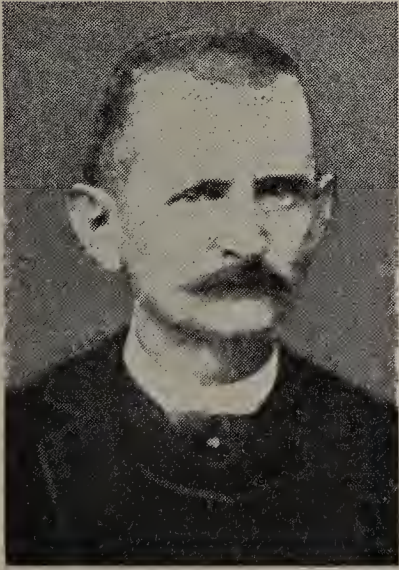
In 1888, he was also one of the organizers and incorporators of Orr and Sembower Company, manufacturers of steam engines and boilers. He was deeply interested in all movements aimed at improvement of the city. He was a director of the following concerns: Na-

tional Union Bank of Reading, Mutual Fire Insurance Company, and the Reading Electric Light Company. He was active in Republican politics and served in both Common and Select Councils, as a member of the School Board, and upon the board of water commissioners. His first interest was the First Baptist Church and for 15 consecutive years he served as president of its board of trustees. For 20 years, he was superintendent of the Ricktown Mission Sunday School.

Brother Orr was made a Mason in Stichter Lodge, No. 254, Pottstown and was admitted to Chandler March 3, 1874. He became Worshipful Master in 1878. He was also a member of Reading Chapter, No. 152, R. A. M., and of DeMolay Commandery, No. 9, Knights Templar, of which he was Eminent Commander in 1872. At the time of his death, he was District Deputy Grand Commander. He was first T. I. G. M. of Creigh Council, No. 16 (1873), and was also a trustee.

The Jesse Orr School Building was named in his honor. He was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

HENRY R. LAUCKS



Henry R. Laucks was born in Boyertown in 1841. He came to Reading when a boy and entered the printing office of J. Lawrence Getz, where he learned the trade. He continued at printing until 1865, when he became timekeeper in the Philadelphia and Reading Railway shops. He served in that capacity four years, and was then promoted to the position of chief clerk to Superintendent of Motive Power L. B. Paxon, which he held up to the time of death. He was unusually cap-

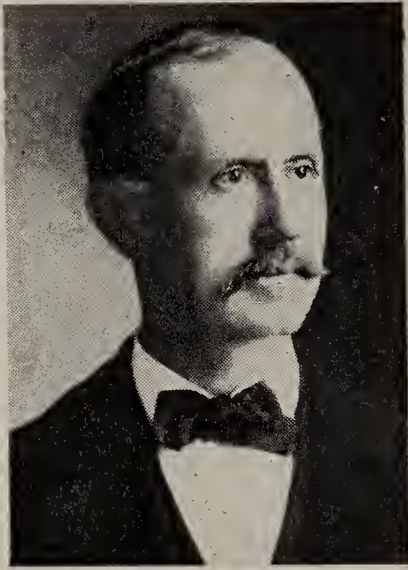
able and possessed a remarkable memory.

In 1861, he enlisted in the Seventh Penn. Volunteer Infantry, and was promoted to first sergeant. He was wounded in the chest at Antietam, and participated in the battles of Bull Run, Chambersburg and others. He was an elder in St. Andrew's Reformed Church,

and interested in civic affairs, but refused an invitation to be a candidate for Mayor of Reading.

Brother Laucks was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on August 20, 1866. He served as Worshipful Master in 1879, and again in 1884. He was a member of DeMolay Commandery, No. 9, K. T. Brother Laucks died December 1, 1893, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

SAMUEL F. GUSS



machine shop.

Samuel F. Guss was born in Schuylkill Haven, Penna., in 1851, and educated in the public schools of that town. He entered the Cressona shops of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company, where he learned the trade of machinist. After being employed at Ashland for a short time, he came to Reading in 1871, and obtained a position as machinist with the Scott Foundry of the Reading Iron Company. He was in that company's employ 32 years, the latter 25 years as foreman of the

Brother Guss was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge June 3, 1873, and served as Worshipful Master in 1880. He died June 2, 1928, a life member of the Lodge. He was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

ISAAC E. ROBINSON

Isaac E. Robinson was born at Joanna, Penna., in July 1839. He was educated in the public schools of that area and came to Reading at an early age. Here he entered the employ of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway Company and was promoted to the position of locomotive engineer prior to 1869. He served as Treasurer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

From 1861 to 1865, he served as quartermaster sergeant in Co. L, Seventh Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteer Cavalry, and held membership in the Grand Army of the Republic.

Brother Robinson was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge, April 26, 1870, and served as Worshipful Master in 1881.

He died October 4, 1882, as the result of a fatal accident at the Reading Hardware Company. He was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery, Reading.

A. HARVEY TYSON



A. Harvey Tyson, son of Henry A. Tyson, was born in Reading, and attended the Reading public schools. He later obtained a collegiate education and became a prominent civil engineer. He served the City of Reading as engineer from 1881 to 1885. In 1888 he planned the water system for the City of Lebanon, Penna., whereby water was pumped and conveyed to Lebanon from the Little Swatara Creek. He also constructed a number of buildings which are present day landmarks in Reading. Of him can truly be said "His works live after him."

Brother Tyson was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge November 6, 1877, and served as Worshipful Master in 1882.

He died January 12, 1922.

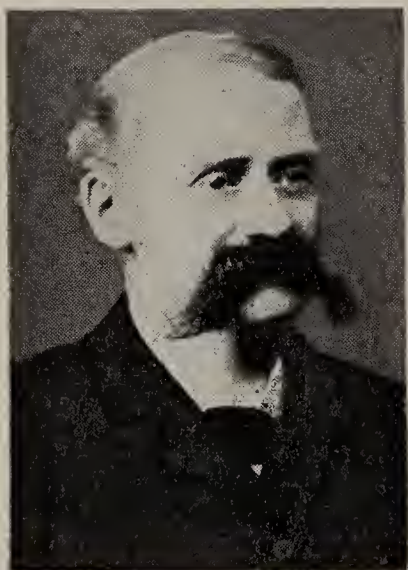
JOHN E. GOODMAN



John E. Goodman was born at Temple, Penna., July 30, 1856. He grew up in Reading, attending the public schools and then learned the butchering business under his father, Jacob Goodman, also a member of Chandler Lodge. He did not make butchering his permanent occupation, but instead took a position with the National Brass and Iron Works, where he was employed as a shipping clerk for 13 years. He was later employed at the Mohn Hat Factory.

Brother Goodman was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge January 1, 1878, and served as Worshipful Master in 1883. He died in 1918, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

ABRAHAM SEIVARD

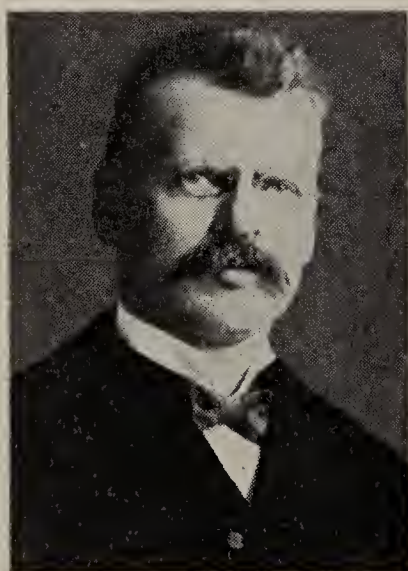


Abraham Seivard was born near Warwick, Chester County on May 6, 1849. He attended the public schools of that locality, and then became a house carpenter for a short time, after which he moved to Reading. Upon his arrival in Reading, he took up pattern-making with the Orr and Painter firm, where he remained many years. He then established a nickel plating business (Pride Nickel Plating Works), in part of the Mount Penn Stove Works, which business he conducted until appointed building inspector for Reading by Mayor William F. Shanaman in 1893. Later he returned to the Mount Penn Stove Works as patternmaker, where he remained until his death. He was a great devotee of hunting and fishing.

Brother Seivard was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge May 4, 1875, and served as Worshipful Master in 1885. He also served as High Priest of Reading Chapter, No. 152, and as Eminent Commander of DeMolay Commandery (1886), and was a member of Lu Lu Temple, Mystic Shriners.

Brother Seivard died April 12, 1909, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

JOSEPH W. DAY



Joseph W. Day was born at Talleyville, Del., on November 23, 1853. He walked eight miles from the farm to Wilmington, Del., daily to receive his education in Wilmington schools. He was graduated from Eastman Business College at Poughkeepsie, New York, in 1872.

He was employed as an agent for the W. and N. R. R. at Second and Cherry Streets, Reading, and then became bookkeeper for the Obert Boiler Works. Later, he was employed by J. H. Sternbergh until the Pennsylvania Railroad entered Reading in 1884, when he was appointed passenger and freight agent by that

company. He served in that capacity until September, 1888, when he resigned to become trust officer for the Reading Trust Company. He later became affiliated with the H. W. Johns-Manville Co., and was transferred to Philadelphia as superintendent of the roofing department.

Brother Day was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on February 7, 1882, and served as Worshipful Master in 1886. He served as District Deputy Grand Master of the Lebanon-Berks District, No. 7, from 1898 to 1903 inclusive. He was a member of Excelsior Chapter, No. 237, Reading Commandery, No. 42, of Philadelphia Consistory, and a charter member of Rajah Temple. He received the Royal Order of Scotland October 18, 1897 (Thirty-third Degree).

Brother Day died in Philadelphia July 29, 1912, and was buried in Centerville, Del.

BENJAMIN W. GRIST

Benjamin W. Grist was born in England on August 27, 1842, and came to Philadelphia at an early age. He learned the machinist trade, came to Reading and founded the "B. W. Grist & Co., Central Foundry and Machine Shop". This plant was located at Carpenter and Cherry Streets, and in his foundry he designed and built many steam engines. His business associates were W. Harry Orr and W. Jesse Orr.

Brother Grist was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on November 6, 1877, and served as Worshipful Master in 1887 and 1888. He also held membership in Reading Chapter, No. 152; Reading Commandery, No. 42; Philadelphia Consistory and Lu Lu Temple.

The glory of Masonry is threefold and consists in its brotherliness, and its antiquity. Brother Grist came to us from across the ocean, and in Chandler Lodge found a second home, of which he became the Master and Chief Servant.

Brother Grist died in Philadelphia on September 29, 1912, and was buried in Westminster Cemetery, Philadelphia. Peace to our English-born Brother.

CHAPTER V

1888-1898

This decade witnessed little change in Chandler's total membership, partly because an economic depression covered a large part of the period. The attendance was poor at the outset, but improved and became unusually good. The large number of visitors recorded at each meeting indicates that the fraternal spirit and friendliness were of a high order. The financial condition of the Lodge remained satisfactory, and a handsome balance was invested. There was strong agitation for a new Lodge Hall, and a rapidly growing city was in need of the space occupied by the Lodges.

On April 3, 1888, Brother Past Master Sydenham E. Ancona arose and announced the death of P. M. John O. D. Lilly, the first Worshipful Master of Chandler Lodge, who was killed on the railroad near Mauch Chunk on March 9, 1888. The following resolution, to wit, "Resolved, That a committee be appointed to make arrangements for the proper recognition of the death of P. M. Lilly and other members of this Lodge," was unanimously adopted, and the Worshipful Master was pleased to appoint Past Masters Sydenham E. Ancona, W. Jesse Orr and William A. Sands as said committee.

On May 1, 1888, a communication was received from the Right Worshipful Grand Master, stating that Chandler Lodge had in the previous year initiated an applicant without having first obtained from the Right Worshipful Grand Secretary a certificate that the records of the Grand Lodge contained no Masonic objection to the applicant. The communication declared the initiation to be unlawful and null and void, and directed Chandler Lodge to strike the name of the said person from its list of members and to return to him all money he had paid to Chandler Lodge either as fees or dues.

At the Stated Meeting on October 2, 1888, communications were received from ten members, tendering their resignations.

At the annual election on December 4, 1888, the following officers were chosen: Brothers Isaac Lawrence, Worshipful Master; William F. Shanaman, Senior Warden; Samuel E. Nies, Junior

Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Henry R. Laucks, Trustee of General Fund; George C. Wilson, Trustee of Charity Fund; H. A. Tyson, Representative in Grand Lodge, and Joseph W. Day, Representative to the Masonic Home.

At the Stated Meeting of April 2, 1889, a proposition was presented relative to the purchase of the Seyfert Mansion at the corner of Fifth and Cherry Streets for Masonic Hall purposes. This was referred to the Trustees for further consideration.

At the June meeting a donation of \$100 to the sufferers in the Johnstown Flood was ordered. The Trustees were authorized to favor the purchase of the Seyfert Mansion for Masonic Hall purposes in connection with the other Masonic bodies.

At the Stated Meeting on December 3, 1889, all officers were re-elected, and Brother W. W. Werner elected Trustee of the General Fund, and Brother Henry A. Focht a Trustee of the Charity Fund.

In 1890 the Joint Board of Trustees asked the Lodge to relieve the Tyler from serving the notices beyond the limits of Washington and Franklin Streets, and Front and Eleventh Streets.

During the year 1890 an edict was issued by the R. W. Grand Master, requiring each candidate to be examined as to his proficiency in the preceding degree in open Lodge before advancement, and for a number of years the Lodge observed this custom.

At the annual election on December 2, 1890, the following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing Masonic year: Brothers William F. Shanaman, Worshipful Master; Samuel E. Nies, Senior Warden; Howard E. Ahrens, Junior Warden; Henry L. Homan, Trustee of the General Fund; Jesse Orr, Trustee of the Charity Fund, and the other officers were reelected.

Very little of historic interest was found in the minutes of 1891. There was an unusually large number of requests for Charity during the year, mostly from distant sources, and none were refused.

At the Stated Meeting of December 1, 1891, the following Brethren were elected to office: Samuel E. Nies, Worshipful Master; Howard E. Ahrens, Senior Warden; Lewis H. Lutz, Junior Warden; Henry R. Laucks, Trustee of General Fund; George C. Wilson, Trustee of Charity Fund, and the other officers were reelected.

At the meeting of January 5, 1892, the Secretary was instructed to have 1,000 copies of the By-Laws printed and bound, each member of the Lodge to be served with a copy.

A beautiful portrait of Past Master George W. Durell was presented to the Lodge in October.

This was a busy year, and with many applications for admission, the attendance was greatly improved.

The following officers were elected at the annual election on December 6, 1892: Brothers Howard E. Ahrens, Worshipful Master; James C. Johnson, Senior Warden; Daniel M. Freehafer, Junior Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; Brothers Henry R. Laucks, Henry L. Homan and J. Henry Reinhold, Trustees; Brother Howard E. Ahrens, Representative to Grand Lodge, and Brother William A. Sands, Representative to Masonic Home.

A communication dated May 1, 1893, was received from Grand Lodge requesting Chandler Lodge officers and members to accompany them to Lebanon, Penna., by train on Saturday, May 13, to lay the Corner Stone of a hospital at that place.

At the Stated Meeting of December 5, 1893, the following officers were elected: Brothers Samuel E. Nies, Worshipful Master; Daniel M. Freehafer, Senior Warden; Gideon B. Kostenbader, Junior Warden; William G. Rowe, Treasurer; Henry A. Tyson, Secretary; J. Henry Reinhold, David T. Schmehl and John Drexel, Trustees; Samuel E. Nies, Representative in Grand Lodge; William A. Sands, Representative to Masonic Home.

A copy of the Centennial History of Lodge No. 62 was presented to the Lodge on behalf of Lodge No. 62 by the Secretary, when on motion the thanks of the Lodge was tendered No. 62 for the valuable gift.

The following officers were elected on December 4, 1894, to serve during the ensuing Masonic year: Brothers Daniel M. Freehafer, Worshipful Master; Gideon B. Kostenbader, Senior Warden; Horace Grander, Junior Warden; George C. Wilson, Representative to Masonic Home, and the other officers were reelected.

At the Stated Meeting of June 4, 1895, the Tyler was requested to serve all notices thereafter between Chestnut and Walnut Streets and the river and the hill, the others to be mailed or otherwise served.

The following resolution was adopted at the Stated Meeting of July 2, 1895: "That Chandler Lodge, No. 227, A. Y. M., pledges the sum of \$5,000 toward the erection of a Masonic Temple in this city. Provided said Temple be erected by and in charge of a Building or Finance Trust to be composed of one member elected or chosen by each Masonic body joining in said undertaking and the Deed be made to said Trustees and said Successors as Trustees".

A communication was received from a brother asking for a loan upon a life insurance policy of \$100. The same being contrary to the By-Laws and the Brother being in destitute circumstances, it was resolved that a donation of \$50 be granted him.

An Emergency Special Meeting was held on September 17, 1895, at 10:30 A. M. for the purpose of attending the funeral of P. M. Brother Henry A. Tyson, Secretary of Chandler Lodge for 29 years, and D. D. Grand Master.

At the Stated Meeting of October 1, 1895, a commission from the R. W. Grand Master, appointing Brother James Lewis Rake, of Reading Lodge, No. 549, District Deputy Grand Master for the Seventh District, was read.

The following officers were elected on December 3, 1895: Brothers Gideon B. Kostenbader, Worshipful Master; Horace Grander, Senior Warden; Jonathan R. Sharman, Junior Warden; George C. Wilson, Sr., Treasurer; Samuel E. Nies, Secretary; Daniel M. Freehafer, Representative in Grand Lodge, and the other officers were reelected.

At the Stated Meeting of February 4, 1896, a letter was read from the newly created Masonic Temple and Building Trust, informing the Lodge of their unanimous decision to purchase the Wilhelm property, Nos. 121, 123, and 125 North Fifth Street, 60 feet by 230 feet at the price of \$19,250, and requested an order for at least ten percent of the total amount subscribed.

A motion to reduce the amount allowed the officers for expenses to Grand Lodge from \$7 to \$5 was defeated on September 1, 1896.

At the Stated Meeting of December 1, 1896, the following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing Masonic year: Brothers Horace Grander, Worshipful Master; Jonathan R. Sharman, Senior Warden; Walter S. Essick, Junior Warden; J. Henry Reinhold, Trustee of the Masonic Temple and Building Trust; Gideon B. Kostenbader, Representative to Grand Lodge, and all other officers were reelected.

At the meeting of January 5, 1897, it was Resolved: "That Chandler Lodge, No. 227, F. & A. M., celebrate its 50th Anniversary on the 4th day of May, 1898, in an appropriate manner and that the respective stations and places of the Lodge be filled with Past Masters in accordance to Seniority in office and that the Worshipful Master appoint five Stewards for the occasion". The W. M. immediately named the five Stewards and reports of progress were made during the year.

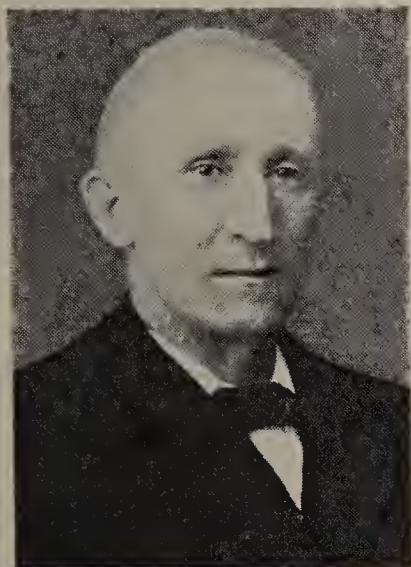
The Trustees were authorized to have a box made of tin large enough to admit all the Records of the Lodge not in constant use, and place them in some fireproof vault for safe keeping.

A vote of thanks was tendered P. M. E. J. Rauch for the presentation of his portrait to the Lodge, in compliance with a resolution adopted in 1860.

On June 24, 1897, St. John the Baptist's Day, Chandler Lodge officers and members joined the other four Lodges of the city in the ceremonies connected with the laying of the Corner Stone of the New Temple on North Fifth Street. One hundred and eight Brethren of Chandler Lodge, under the Marshalship of Brother P. M. S. E. Ancona were present. Almost 400 members of all bodies were present on this occasion, with the thermometer registering 94 degrees in the shade. Grand Lodge was well represented. R. W. Grand Master William J. Kelly presided and R. W. Past Grand Master Michael Arnold delivered the oration.

On December 7, 1897, the following Brethren were elected to office: Jonathan R. Sharman, Worshipful Master; Walter S. Essick, Senior Warden; Allen G. Quimby, Junior Warden; Henry Price, Trustee; Horace Grander, Representative in the Grand Lodge, and all other officers were reelected.

ISAAC LAWRENCE



Isaac Lawrence was born in Berks County, Pennsylvania, on March 4, 1844. He attended the schools of the City of Reading, and upon completion of his education engaged in boating on the Schuylkill Canal for a short period until the Civil War broke out. He enlisted immediately. After the war he was employed at the Reading Hardware Company and served as foreman of the moulding department for many years. He later was employed at the Reading Iron Company and still

later at the Malleable Iron Works, Wilmington, Del.

His last years were spent at the Soldiers' Home in Johnson City, Tenn. Brother Lawrence was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on September 19, 1871, and served as Worshipful Master in 1889 and 1890. He was also a member of the Knights Templar.

Brother Lawrence died February 22, 1908 in Johnson City, Tenn., where he was buried.

WILLIAM F. SHANAMAN



William Franklin Shanaman was born in Reading, Pa., February 6, 1862, and educated in the public schools of this city. He was a manufacturer of brooms practically all of his life, retiring from active business in 1918. His keen intellect and brilliant oratory won for him many positions of honor. He was a member of City Council four terms, being elected as a Republican from the strongly Democratic old Sixth Ward. He served one term as Mayor of Reading, from 1893 to 1896. He

was elected first president of the Blue Eagle Mountain Climbing Club in 1916, and served until his death in 1939. A memorial stone has been erected in his honor in the mountainous section of Northern Berks County. He served as first president of the Wilderness Park Association, affiliate of the climbing club.

Brother Shanaman was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on September 4, 1883, and served as Worshipful Master in 1891. He was a life member of Chandler, and remained active until his death. He also held membership in Excelsior Chapter, No. 237, serving as High Priest in 1890; Reading Commandery, No. 42, and Rajah Temple.

Brother Shanaman was especially felicitous in Masonic presentation speeches. Mayor Shanaman's outstanding political triumph was his election to the mayoralty in January, 1893, by a heavy majority, two months after Grover Cleveland had carried the city in the Presidential election of 1892 by an even greater majority. Mayor Shanaman was an active member of the Friendship Fire Company, and for many years was its speechmaker on journeys to other cities.

He died August 21, 1939, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

SAMUEL E. NIES



Samuel E. Nies was born in Lincoln, Lancaster County December 27, 1849, and attended the Wood Corner School in Clay Township. He moved to 826 Chestnut Street, Reading in 1881. In early life he was a cabinet maker by trade. Later, for many years, he was engaged in the broom manufacturing business with David T. Schmehl, also a member of Chandler. They operated under the firm name of S. E. Nies and Company.

He was a Quaker and attended services in the Friends Meeting House on North Sixth Street.

Brother Nies was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on August 7, 1883. He was regarded as one of the most active and devoted Masons of his time. He bore the enviable record of not having missed a meeting in thirty years, and was rewarded for his interest by being twice chosen as Worshipful Master of Chandler Lodge, 1892 and 1894. He served 19 years as Secretary, from 1896 until his death on March 31, 1914. He was High Priest of Excelsior Chapter,

No. 237, in 1893, and was Eminent Commander of Reading Commandery, No. 42, in 1899. Brother Nies died at his residence, 538 Elm Street, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

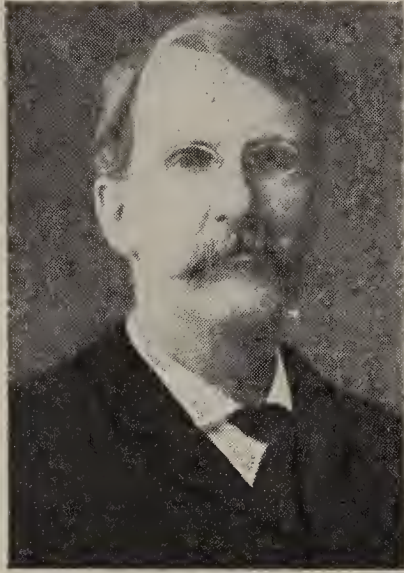
HOWARD E. AHRENS



Howard Edwin Ahrens was born in Muhlenberg Township May 13, 1853. He was educated in the public schools of Muhlenberg and Reading and entered the employ of Harry Hawman, contractor and builder. Later he entered the coal and feed business and then conducted a stone quarry. With his brother, James S. Ahrens, also a Past Master of Chandler Lodge, he in 1884 formed the firm of H. E. Ahrens and Brother, general contractors. This firm specialized in practically every form of large construction work, especially grading, tunnel construction and erecting trolley lines. Their activities in this line extended as far as Texas. Brother Ahrens became one of the most prominent men in Reading, and was active in civic and fraternal affairs. In 1898 he was elected a member of the Reading School Board. He at one time served in the City of Reading Council and was president of the Allentown and Reading Traction Company. He was a devoted member of Alsace Lutheran Church.

Brother Ahrens was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on August 5, 1884 and served as Worshipful Master in 1893. He was Past High Priest in 1891 of Excelsior Chapter, R. A. M.; a member of Reading Commandery, K. T., Reading Consistory, and of Rajah Temple.

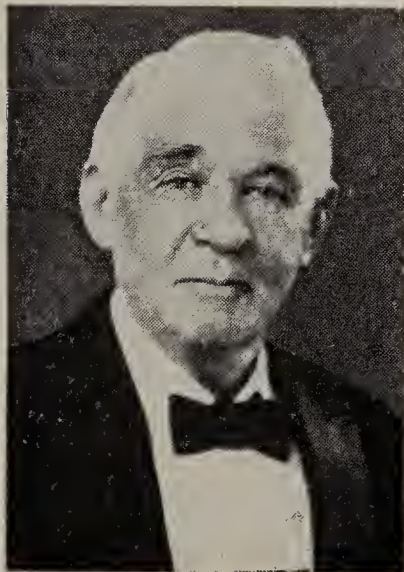
Brother Ahrens died in 1918 and is buried in Charles Evans Cemetery, Reading.



DANIEL M. FREEHAFER

Daniel M. Freehafer was born in Schuylkill Haven in 1853. In early life he was a carpenter by trade, and later became one of Reading's most prominent contractors and builders. He specialized in the construction of church buildings, and erected many in Reading and other localities; one of them is the First United Evangelical Church, Eighth and Court Streets, Reading, of which congregation he was a very prominent and faithful member. He also built St. Paul's U. E. Church. Both spiritually and materially Brother Freehafer was a "builder". It was his peculiar distinction that he both erected and frequented the house of God.

He was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on May 7, 1889, and served as Worshipful Master in 1895. Brother Freehafer died October 13, 1905, and is buried in Aulenbach's Cemetery, Reading.



GIDEON B. KOSTENBADER

Gideon B. Kostenbader was born in Northampton County in 1856 and was educated in the public schools of that district. He moved to Reading about 1882, and was employed at the Fritz Studio on North Sixth Street for many years. Brother Kostenbader was one of Reading's leading portrait painters and a most widely known artist. For many years he embossed the names of the graduates on the Reading High School diplomas, and those of many other institutions. He was a member of the parish consistory of St. Stephen's Reformed Church and First President of St. Stephen's Men's League.

Brother Kostenbader was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on October 4, 1892, and served as Worshipful Master in 1896. He was also affiliated with Excelsior Chapter, No. 237; Reading Commandery, No. 42, and Rajah Temple. He died June 30, 1935.

HORACE GRANDER



Horace Grander was born in Chester County, August 8, 1859. His parents moved to Reading in 1867, and he received his education in the Reading grammar schools and Reading High School. He was first employed as transcriber in the law offices of Garrett B. Stevens, where he remained two years. He then occupied a clerical position for two years in the store of Samuel Heckler on Penn Street near Sixth, after which he learned the trade of stove mounting and pattern fitting at Orr,

Painter and Co., where he remained for a period of 25 years. He then became master mechanic, in charge of all machinery at Curtis, Jones Shoe Co. factory, for 22 years. Brother Jacob H. McConnell, then a city councilman, appointed him foreman of the city's asphalt plant in which capacity he served until retirement, nine years later. He also served as President of the Neversink Fire Company and as President of the Firemen's Union.

Brother Grander was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on April 1, 1890, and served as Worshipful Master in 1897. He also held membership in Excelsior Chapter, No. 237; Reading Commandery, No. 42, and Rajah Temple. He died in 1944 and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

CHAPTER VI

1898-1908

This decade saw Chandler Lodge change its place of meeting from City Hall on South Fifth Street to the Masonic Temple on North Fifth Street. The membership reached the 400 mark for the first time, although being close to it for almost four decades. Attendance at the meetings was exceptionally good and judging from the large number of visitors present at every meeting, the fraternal spirit was widespread. In spite of the fact that the Lodge funds were invested in the New Temple, the Lodge remained liberal to those in need.

The Spanish-American War being fought at this time was of comparatively short duration, but found the following Brethren who were members of Chandler Lodge at that time enlisting immediately and serving in the U. S. Army: Richard Calvert, Arthur Hole, Charles F. Holl, John F. Mervine, George R. Rhoads and William E. Weidner.

On January 24, 1898, a meeting was called by the Chairman of the Committee on the Fiftieth Anniversary, to which the committee members and all Past Masters were summoned. After considerable discussion it was unanimously agreed that in view of the prospective condition of the Treasury, the funds being invested in the New Temple, it would be unwise to incur any expense whatever in celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary.

At the Anniversary Meeting of May 3, 1898, the minutes in part are as follows: "The Worshipful Master stated the Business of the Lodge being finished and according to the Resolution passed January 5, 1897, and a subsequent resolution concerning the 50th Anniversary, that mention of the proceedings of the past 50 years of the Lodge should be made at this Meeting. The Worshipful Master called on the Senior and Junior Wardens to vacate their Stations and asked Brother Past Master S. E. Ancona to occupy the Chair in the East, Brother Past Master Emanuel J. Rauch to the West and Brother Past Master John C. A. Hoffeditz in the South.

"The Past Masters having taken their Stations, Brother Past Master Ancona, the only surviving Charter member of Chandler

Lodge, stated that it gave him great pleasure to occupy the chair for a short time exactly fifty years after it was constituted, and thanked the members for the honor. He outlined the formation of the Lodge and spoke very highly of its first Master, Brother John O. D. Lilly, as an efficient officer and a man of sterling principles. He named every one of the Charter Members who was present at the Constitution of the Lodge, and stated that the feeling that existed between the Mother Lodge, No. 62, and Chandler, No. 227, from that time on was friendly and brotherly. He mentioned the different places of meeting, which varied considerably in regards to convenience and space.

“Brother Past Master Emanuel J. Rauch remembered a great many things and related them to those assembled.

“Brother Past Master John C. A. Hoffeditz said that he had only to repeat what Past Masters Ancona and Rauch had already said about the earlier days of Chandler Lodge and that he was pleased with the attendance and interest.

“Brother James M. Roland, who was one of the few remaining who had presented their petitions at the first meeting of the Lodge, was proud of the principles of Free Masonry and hoped the Lodge would always carry out the same principles in the future it had in the past and that the trust imposed in God should always continue throughout our life as well as when we first entered the Lodge.

“Brother Past Master Joseph W. Day also made remarks concerning the ambition of the Lodge and its efficient officers.

“Similar remarks were made by Past Masters Howard E. Ahrens, Daniel M. Freehafer, Horace Grander, Gideon B. Kostenbader and George C. Wilson, our present Treasurer. The Rev. Brother Henry Y. Stoner spoke very nicely, alluding to the spiritual welfare of all mankind and especially Brother Free Masons, who are linked together with such solemn ties that the Brethren should remember them for all time.

“The Secretary read a short synopsis of the business of the Lodge during the past fifty years and stated that:

“1084 petitions were presented; 624 were Entered; 62 were Elected to Membership; 63 Petitions were withdrawn; 17 were approved and time ran out; 22 unfavorable reports; 7 no reports of

Committees; 73 withdrew from Membership; 162 Suspended; 229 Rejected; 219 died while members of the Lodge.

"Anniversary proceedings being closed, the officers resumed their respective stations. No further business being offered, the Lodge closed in harmony at 10 o'clock and 40 minutes.

"Attest . . . SAMUEL E. NIES
Secretary."

The following officers were elected at the annual election on December 6, 1898: Brothers Walter S. Essick, Worshipful Master; Allen G. Quimby, Senior Warden; Irvin W. Kershner, Junior Warden; Jonathan R. Sharman, Representative in Grand Lodge, and all other officers reelected.

At the Stated Meeting of January 3, 1899, the allowance to the Officers for attending the Grand Lodge was reduced from \$7 to \$5. D. D. Grand Master J. W. Day honored the Lodge with his presence, as he usually did.

The report of the Masonic Temple and Building Trust was read at the May meeting, showing the receipts and expenditures from the commencement of the organization on January 21, 1896. The total amount received from all sources was \$72,732.60. The investments of the various Masonic bodies at that time was as follows:

Lodge No. 62 F. & A. M.....	\$12,000.00
Lodge No. 227 F. & A. M.....	8,700.00
Lodge No. 367 F. & A. M.....	500.00
Lodge No. 435 F. & A. M.....	15,000.00
Lodge No. 549 F. & A. M.....	2,300.00
Reading Chapter	3,850.00
Excelsior Chapter	5,000.00
DeMolay Commandery	1,000.00
Reading Commandery	11,000.00

At the Stated Meeting of June 6, a resolution was passed, "directing the Trustees of Chandler Lodge to confer with the Trustees of our Sister Lodges to urge and adopt a method whereby the incompleted building on North Fifth Street, known as the Masonic Temple, may be finished in the near future."

At the Annual Meeting of December 5, 1899, it was Resolved: That Brother George C. Wilson Sr., represent Chandler Lodge, No. 227, at the ceremonies of the different Grand Lodges of Virginia, New York, Maryland and Pennsylvania over the grave at Mt. Vernon, of Brother George Washington, who died December 14, 1799. Chandler Lodge also joined with Lodge No. 62 in a special meeting on December 18 in commemoration of that event.

The following Officers were elected to serve during the year 1900: Brothers Allen G. Quimby, Worshipful Master; Irvin U. Kershner, Senior Warden; Lee C. Bricker, Junior Warden; Jonathan R. Sharman, Treasurer; Samuel E. Nies, Secretary; David F. Schmehl, John Drexel and Henry Price, Trustees and Allen G. Quimby, Representative in Grand Lodge.

At the Stated Meeting of May 1, 1900, Brother James W. Yocum, a member of the Masonic Temple and Building Trust, made another appeal to the members to come to its rescue and enable the committee to finish its labors. Fifty-three thousand dollars were needed. The Worshipful Master subsequently appointed a committee to solicit subscriptions among the members of Chandler Lodge.

America suffered the loss of the President, Brother William McKinley, who was assassinated.

At the Annual Meeting of December 4, 1900, the following officers were elected for the ensuing Masonic year: Brothers Irvin U. Kershner, Worshipful Master; Lee C. Bricker, Senior Warden; James S. Ahrens, Junior Warden; Jonathan R. Sharman, Treasurer; Samuel E. Nies, Secretary; David T. Schmehl, John Drexel and Henry Price, Trustees; George C. Wilson Sr., Representative to the Grand Lodge.

Nothing of historical importance is noted for the year 1901. The election of officers in December resulted as follows: Brothers Lee C. Bricker, Worshipful Master; James S. Ahrens, Senior Warden; Chester B. Jennings, Junior Warden; George C. Wilson, Representative to Grand Lodge, and the other officers were reelected.

At the Stated Meeting of January 10, 1902, D. D. Grand Master Brother Joseph W. Day urged the Lodge to appropriate \$20 to defray the necessary expenses of Brother William S. Joslyn, Principal of the Temple School of Instruction, in coming to Reading to give instruction. The amount requested was paid.

A Special Meeting was called on July 28, 1902, for the purpose of taking action on a resolution to change the meeting place of the Lodge from City Hall to the Fourth Floor of the New Masonic Temple on North Fifth Street between Washington and Walnut Streets. After considerable discussion, action on the proposal was deferred, until Chandler Lodge was given assurance that the rental base rates would be equitable. The committee appointed to negotiate with the Trustees failed in its efforts.

The Stated Meeting in October was held in City Hall, and when the Guide was directed to retire and prepare the candidate, he returned and informed the Worshipful Master that the necessary articles had been removed to the New Temple by the Building Trust. The Master was compelled to order the applicant to retire.

At a special meeting in October Chandler Lodge reluctantly decided to remove to the New Temple, under the terms of the Building Trust.

Brother Sydenham E. Ancona, P. M., was delegated to represent Chandler Lodge at the celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Initiation of Brother George Washington into Freemasonry.

The first Stated Meeting of Chandler Lodge in Masonic Temple was held on November 4, 1902, with 108 members and 47 visitors present. A vote of thanks was tendered Brother J. George Hintz for his generous gift to the Fraternity, a new Holy Bible.

The following Officers were elected at the Stated Meeting on December 2, 1902: Brothers James S. Ahrens, Worshipful Master; Chester B. Jennings, Senior Warden; Fred M. Machemer, Junior Warden; and the other officers were reelected.

At the Stated Meeting on January 6, 1903, the dues were increased from \$2.50 to \$4.00 and from \$1.00 to \$2.50 per annum.

The Trustees were authorized at the March meeting to have the pictures belonging to Chandler Lodge put in such condition as to be presentable, to be placed in the Lodge room.

SIXTH MEETING PLACE



Masonic Temple

The sixth meeting place of Chandler Lodge is the present Masonic Temple, 123 North Fifth Street. The Lodge Room is situated on the fourth floor rear, and is $81\frac{1}{2}$ feet long and 52 feet wide. The

station of the Worshipful Master is properly at the east end and the entrance is at the west end. The fourth floor may be reached by elevator or by marble stairway.

Flanking the anteroom are two armories used by the local Knight Templar Commanderies, etc. The usual hallway connects the preparing room, examining room, lodge room and anteroom. The lodge room is painted and draped in blue, and has blue floor-covering. All the stations and seats are elevated above the floor. A pipe organ is situated in the north center of the room.

A small dining room, 52 feet by 52 feet, occupies the front or west end of the fourth floor. This is the scene of the usual social hour following or preceding the "work." The kitchen adjoins, and is opposite the elevator and stairs on the north.

The first floor is occupied by a theatre, and two offices are situated in the front, one on each side of the main entrance.

The second floor front is occupied by the Penn Wheelmen, a non-Masonic organization, the theatre extending over the remaining portion.

The third floor is occupied by the Temple Club, and in the rear is a dance hall or dining hall capable of comfortably seating about 450. The food is served from the fourth floor kitchen by dumb-waiters.

The story of the erection of this temple is a sad one, from beginning to end. On January 21, 1896, a Stock Company was formed under Act of Assembly, and became known as the "Masonic Temple and Building Trust of Reading, Penna." It purchased the Wilhelm property, Nos. 121, 123 and 125 North Fifth Street, 60 x 230 feet, at a price of \$19,250. The cornerstone of the proposed building, that was to cost about \$65,000, was laid June 24, 1897, which was St. John the Baptist's Day.

The building plan was not fully completed and was rather indefinite as time has proven. By May, 1899, a total of \$72,732.60 had been collected and expended and building operations came to a halt, while far from completion. Finally additional funds were forthcoming, and building operations resumed, with the following change in plans: The first floor was changed from a drill hall and headquarters, for the Commanderies, to a theatre, and this necessitated

raising the entrance, placing steps, and changing the theatre floor to an incline. (The original architect of the building asked to be relieved, as he had no knowledge of theatre construction, but was prevailed upon to complete the task with as little cost as possible.) The result was an unsatisfactory theatre that needed further change. The final cost was \$210,000.

The first meeting in the new Masonic Temple was held by St. John's Lodge on October 3, 1892. All Masonic bodies occupied the building and there are now 14 bodies using the one Lodge Room. All of these organizations are hampered in their work by lack of space and meeting dates, the meetings of necessity being too long, and interest is lost. The fourth floor is absorbing almost the entire cost of the building, while the first three floors provide comparatively little revenue.

The following officers were elected at the Stated Meeting on December 1, 1903: Brothers Chester B. Jennings, Worshipful Master; F. M. Machmer, Senior Warden; F. R. Fichthorn, Junior Warden; and all the other officers reelected.

Brother Howard C. Mohr, a resident of Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, paid his dues and asked to have the seal of the lodge attached to his receipt, stating that it is demanded by the Masonic authorities of that place. This was agreed to.

District Deputy Grand Master Brother Adam H. Schmehl made his first official visit to Chandler Lodge in February.

At the Stated Meeting on December 6, 1904, the following Brethren were duly elected officers for the ensuing Masonic year: Fred M. Machmer, Worshipful Master; Frank R. Fichthorn, Senior Warden; Harry J. G. Schad, Junior Warden, and all the other officers reelected.

Payment of \$20.81 was made to Lodge No. 61, of Wilkes-Barre to reimburse the three Brothers of that Lodge who accompanied the remains of Brother Robert Towns to Reading.

The Masonic Temple and Building Trust issued the following report on January 3, 1905:

Operating Account	Receipts
Balance in Bank January 1, 1902.....	\$ 816.21
Rent—Lodge Room	4,013.50
Rent—Hall	398.00
Rent—Theatre	3,500.00
Rent—Club Rooms'	1,295.00
Rent—Store Rooms	162.75
State taxes returned.	228.22
Total receipts 1904	<u>\$10,413.68</u>

Operating Account	Expenditures
Salaries, Tyler	\$ 600.00
Salaries, Engineers	636.39
Salaries, Cleaners	226.13
Oil, Brushes, etc.	108.31
Heat	625.55
Light	1,032.35
Taxes	1,128.50
Water	88.94
Insurance	991.25
Interest	2,624.00
Repairs	108.18

Total Expenditures, 1904	8,169.60
Leaving a Balance on January, 1905	<u>\$ 2,244.08</u>

Brother Sydenham E. Ancona, P. M., who had resigned at a previous meeting of Chandler Lodge, was invited to attend the stated meeting of March 7, 1905, when a resolution passed at a previous meeting, and ordered to be engrossed, was presented to him by the now Senior P. M. E. J. Rauch. The resolution regretted the act of Brother Ancona in resigning from the lodge which he had so faithfully served during the 56 years of its existence. Brother Ancona applied for and was elected to membership in 1907.

At the Stated Meeting of November 7, 1905, a communication was received from Reading Commandery, No. 42, K. T., as follows: At the stated conclave held Friday evening, October 13, 1905, it was unanimously Resolved: "That Chandler Lodge, No. 227, F. & A. M., could have use of the Organ that the Ladies' Auxiliary presented to Reading Commandery."

At the annual meeting held December 5, 1905, the following brethren were elected officers for the ensuing Masonic year: Frank R. Fichthorn, Worshipful Master; Harry J. G. Schad, Senior Warden; W. W. B. Stamm, Junior Warden, and the other officers re-elected.

A letter from Teutonia Lodge, No. 367, was received, inviting the officers and members of Chandler Lodge to be present on Tuesday, June 19, 1906, at Rajah Temple to celebrate its 40th anniversary.

At the Stated Meeting of June 5, 1906, a request from Brother S. E. Ancona was read asking the Lodge to make proper disposition of the portraits of several Past Masters still in possession of the Lodge. They include among others those of J. O. D. Lilly, Daniel H. Feger, Joseph A. McLean and George Durell. These pictures subsequently were lost.

In August, among the orders drawn, was one in favor of the Reading Pants Company for Charity to Brother —, amount \$4.00.

At the Stated Meeting held December 4, 1906, the following officers were elected: Brothers Harry J. G. Schad, Worshipful Master; William W. B. Stamm, Senior Warden; W. H. Kehl, Junior Warden; Frank R. Fichthorn, Representative to Grand Lodge, and the other officers were reelected. Three ballots were necessary to select a Junior Warden, the first two resulting in no choice.

On June 4, 1907, by order of the Worshipful Master, the following resolution was unanimously adopted in consequence of the historic wreck on May 11, at Honda, California, where many local Brethren lost their lives while returning from a gathering of Masons. All lodges in Reading, except Chandler Lodge, suffered loss of members. "Whereas: It has pleased Almighty God in his infinite wisdom to call away from our midst our beloved Brothers from our Sister Lodges, No. 62, Teutonia, No. 367; St. John's, No. 435; Reading, No. 549; Mt. Lebanon, No. 226, and Greenleaf, No. 561, therefore be it Resolved: That Chandler Lodge, No. 227, recognizes that our sister lodges have suffered an irreparable loss by the death of its noble Members who lost their lives in the Railroad disaster on May 11, A. D. 1907, at Honda, California, which loss is felt alike by both the public and their respective families. Said members were

honorable, courageous Brothers; Loyal to their respective Lodges, True to life and their families.

“Resolved, That Chandler Lodge, No. 227, hereby extends to said respective Sister Lodges its sincere sympathies in this sad hour of affliction.

“Be it further Resolved, that the above resolutions be spread upon its minutes and that a copy of the same be conveyed to the respective Lodges above named.”

The annual election of officers for the ensuing Masonic year was held December 3, 1907, when the following brethren were named: William W. B. Stamm, Worshipful Master; William H. Kehl, Senior Warden; Joseph H. Hasbrouck, Junior Warden; Harry J. G. Schad, Representative in Grand Lodge, and the other officers were reelected.

JONATHAN R. SHARMAN



Jonathan R. Sharman was born near Wernersville, Penna. He learned the ice cream and confectionery business under J. O. Koller on Penn Square, Reading, (now the site of Consumers Gas Co. building) and made it his life's work. For 20 years he conducted an ice cream manufacturing plant in Reading, first at Third and Court Streets, and later, for 16 years, at 306 North Ninth Street. In this community he became one of the best known manufacturers of and dealers in ice cream and his product was sold near and far. A generation of Readingites were familiar with the immensely oversized helpings of ice cream which Brother Sharman and his employes always sold for a nickel at the creamery, for consumption on the spot. Brother Sharman was a member of Grace Lutheran Church.

Brother Sharman was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on October 4, 1892, and served as Worshipful Master in 1898. He was a member of Excelsior Chapter, No. 237; Reading Commandery, No. 42, and of Rajah Temple. He died in 1930.

WALTER S. ESSICK



Walter S. Essick was born in Reading in 1863. He entered the optical business with his brother, W. W. Essick at a very early age, at Third and Franklin Streets. They organized the Penn Optical Co., on South Eighth Street. He was the inventor of a number of optical devices, on which he held patents.

In 1898, when only 35 years of age, he retired from the optical business and became interested in other activities. He was a member of the old Board of Public Works, at the time of construction of the Spring Street subway. He was associated with Carr & Schad, which operated the Colonial and other motion picture houses. His philanthropic acts were beneficial to many people. He was a member of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church.

Brother Essick was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on June 5, 1894, and served as Worshipful Master in 1899. He also held membership in Excelsior Chapter, No. 237; was High Priest in 1901; DeMolay Commandery, No. 9, and the Tall Cedars.

Brother Essick died November 6, 1931, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

ALLEN G. QUIMBY



Allen G. Quimby was born in Reading, November 2, 1867. He was a moulder by trade. He served as superintendent of the American Coke and Gas Company in New York City for 20 years. He relinquished that position in order to return to Reading and become custodian of the new Senior High School, the "Castle on the Hill". Owing to poor health, he retired in 1934.

Brother Quimby was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on November 7, 1893, and served as Worshipful Master in 1900. He also served as High Priest of Excelsior Chapter, No. 237, and as Eminent Commander

of Reading Commandery in 1910. He was a member of the Mystic Shrine, and a First Worthy Patron and charter member of Eastern Star Chapter.

Brother Quimby died March 11, 1937, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

IRVIN U. KERSHNER



Irvin U. Kershner was born in Bernville, Pa., on July 29, 1874. He graduated from Reading High School in 1892, and immediately entered the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company as a clerk in the superintendent's office at Reading. He completed a course in industrial relations at Harvard University, and was given charge of employment and welfare on the Pennsylvania Lines east of Pittsburgh. In 1927 he was given a furlough to work for the Bureau of Information of Eastern Railways concerning wages and working conditions for the various railroads east of the Mississippi River and north of the Ohio River.

After nearly 53 years of service with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, he is living retired in Teaneck, N. J. He is a member of the Lutheran Church, and is a lifelong Republican.

Brother Kershner was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge, April 6, 1897, and was Worshipful Master in 1901. He is, at the present time, the oldest living Past Master of Chandler Lodge. He was High Priest of Excelsior Chapter, No. 237, in 1916, and is a member of Reading Commandery, No. 42; the Consistory of New York City, and Crescent Temple of the Mystic Shrine in Trenton, N. J.

LEE C. BRICKER

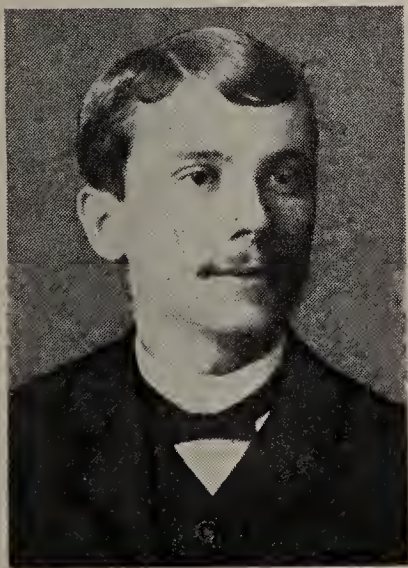


Lee C. Bricker was born in Reading, December 4, 1873. He attended the local public schools until 1891, when he obtained employment at the Orr and Sembower Co. plant, learning the trade of machinist. Upon completion of his trade, he entered the employ of the Carpenter Steel Co., serving there for two years, after which he transferred to the Philadelphia and Reading Shops, where he remained until his retirement in 1938. He was appointed assistant foreman of his department in 1908. He was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church and the Democratic party, serving as Registry Assessor in Muhlenberg Township.

Brother Bricker was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on February 2, 1897, and served as Worshipful Master in 1902. He was a member of Excelsior Chapter, No. 237; Reading Commandery, No. 42, and Rajah Temple.

He died February 4, 1945, and was buried in the Masonic section of Laureldale Cemetery.

JAMES S. AHRENS



James S. Ahrens was born in Reading in 1863, and attended the local schools. He was a member of the H. E. Ahrens and Brother Construction Co., one of the largest in this area. He later became senior partner and had his offices in Lewistown, Penna. The firm specialized in sewer, waterworks, bridge and trolley line construction. He was a member of Alsace Lutheran Church and of the Schuylkill Fire Company of Reading and was an honorary member of the Ringgold Band of this city. He served on the Board of Directors of the Allentown and Reading Traction Company.

Brother Ahrens was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on April 5, 1898, and served as Worshipful Master in 1903. He also

held membership in Excelsior Chapter, No. 237; in Reading Commandery, K. T. No. 42, and in Harrisburg Consistory, Scottish Rites.

Brother Ahrens died March 2, 1910, and was buried in Alsace Cemetery.

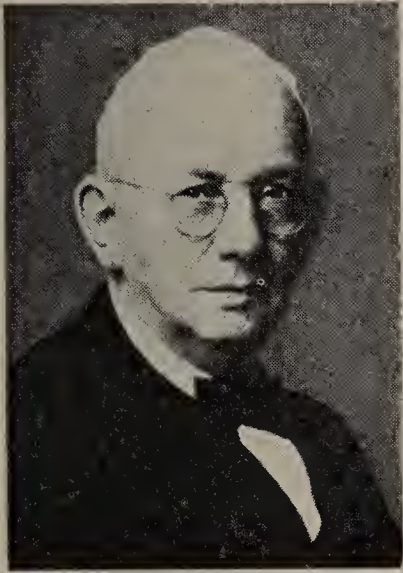
CHESTER B. JENNINGS



Dr. Chester B. Jennings was born in Reading on March 2, 1857. Upon his graduation from Reading High School, he secured a position as assistant waybill clerk of the Philadelphia and Reading Co., and later was assigned to the position of head clerk in that department. He then studied medicine under Dr. W. F. Marks of Reading and entered Hahnemann Medical College, graduating in 1881, after which he at once began the practice of his profession in Reading. Although he had a large general practice, he was more especially known as a successful surgeon. He was a member of the State Homeopathic Society; Board of U. S. Pension Examiners of Berks; Reading School Board, 14 years, and St. Barnabas' Episcopal Church. He was a vestryman and superintendent of the Sunday School of St. Barnabas.

Brother Jennings was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on March 7, 1899, and served as Worshipful Master in 1904. He was Eminent Commander of Reading Commandery, No. 42, in 1907; High Priest of Excelsior Royal Arch Chapter, No. 237, in 1906, and a member of Rajah Temple. He died on October 10, 1913, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

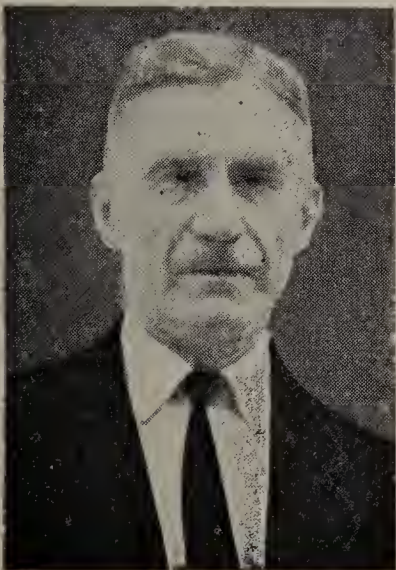
FRED M. MACHMER



Fred M. Machmer was born on January 22, 1873, at Berne, Berks County, Penna. He was educated in the public schools of Berks County and in the Gem City Business College, Quincy, Illinois. During his lifetime he lived in Berne, at Reading and in Selinsgrove, Penna., where his present address is 403 West Market Street. During his years in Reading he became treasurer of the T. A. Willson Company, Reading. In Selinsgrove he has held the office of borough councilman.

Brother Machmer was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on November 7, 1899, and served as Worshipful Master in 1905. In addition he was affiliated with Excelsior R. A. Chapter, No. 237, of which he was High Priest in 1907. He has been affiliated with Reading Commandery, No. 42, and with the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

FRANK R. FICHTHORN



Frank R. Fichthorn was born on February 8, 1871, in Reading. After attending the Reading High School he became a letter carrier and held that position in Reading for 17 years, residing in Reading, from 1871 to 1914. In the latter year he removed to Lancaster, Penna., where he is now retired and is residing at 316 North Queen Street.

Brother Fichthorn was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on December 5, 1900, and served as Worshipful Master in 1906. While in Reading he was a member of St. Paul's Reformed Church. He served as chairman of the 62nd Anniversary committee May 11, 1910. He is a member of the Lancaster Lodge of Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. His Masonic affiliation ceased in 1911.

HARRY J. SCHAD



Harry J. Schad was born in Tamaqua, Pa., and was graduated from the Tamaqua High School, and in 1896 from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science. In October, 1897, he opened a drug store on North Fifth Street opposite the Masonic Temple, which he later sold. He entered the theatre business in 1907. He had considerable success in this venture, operating a chain of theatres, and still operates the Astor and Strand theatres. He is a member of St. Paul's Reformed Church.

Brother Schad was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on September 3, 1901, and was Worshipful Master in 1907. He is a Past High Priest of Excelsior Chapter, No. 237; Past Commander of Reading Commandery, No. 42 and Past Grand Tall Cedar of Never-sink Forest. He is very active as chairman of the Rajah Temple Shriners Crippled Children Hospitals Committee.

CHAPTER VII

1908-1918

The decade 1908-1918 saw Chandler Lodge continue to prosper. Its membership increased to 552, and the assets increased correspondingly. Part of this prosperity can be attributed to the wave of prosperity which swept the country generally during the pre-war and World War I period. Chandler Lodge witnessed and aided in the founding of the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, Pa., and the formation of a new Masonic Lodge in this district.

At the Stated Meeting of January 7, 1908, on recommendation of the Auditors, it was ordered that an addressograph be procured for the use of the Secretary.

On April 7, 1908, a Special Committee was appointed by the Worshipful Master to arrange for the observance of the 60th Anniversary of Chandler Lodge. The records describe a celebration lasting until midnight, with over 200 Brethren partaking of the "finest menu ever served in the Temple since its erection." The speakers were D. D. G. M. Adam H. Schmehl; Brother Sydenham E. Ancona, P. M., the only one then living who was present at its institution; Brother John A. Wiegand, of Lodge No. 549, and Brother Frederick A. Marx, P. M. of Huguenot Lodge No. 377.

At the Stated Meeting June 2, 1908, a communication was received from Fredericksburg Lodge, No. 4, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, located at Fredericksburg, Va., organized September 1, 1752, asking for a contribution for the purpose of erecting a memorial to commemorate the virtues and worth of George Washington, who was initiated November 4, 1752; passed to Fellow Craft Degree, March 3, 1753, and raised August 4, 1753; a lifelong member of that Lodge. The communication was signed by Clarence R. Howard, W. M. and Chairman of the Washington Masonic Memorial Association. After a few remarks were made relating to this correspondence it was on motion, Resolved: That the sum of \$5 be contributed towards this enterprise.

At the August Meeting a petition to the R. W. Grand Lodge was read, requesting a Warrant for a new Lodge to be called Isaac

Hiester Lodge. The names of the following Brethren were on the petition: Frederick Augustus Marx, Amos Horst, William Jacob Kershner, Jonathan Valentine George, Henry Lenhart Sartorius, Charles Ottman Flatt, John Diefenbach Mishler, Reuben Lorenzo Kurtz, William Seaman, David Solomon Grim, Thomas Polk Merritt, Joseph Livingston Gehris, Nathan Dresher, Jr., Johnson Wilmer Fisher, Charles Wilson Swoyer, Henry Wilson Barth, Marvin Harold Stettler, Adam Peter Spatz, Amos Leaman Sherk, Walter Scott Wells, William Wilson Webber.

After a few remarks, the following resolution was presented and adopted: Resolved: That the above petition be recommended to the favorable consideration of the Right Worshipful Grand Lodge. Resolved: That Chandler Lodge, No. 227, F. & A. M., purchase the working tools for the New Lodge. Thus a new Lodge, Isaac Hiester Lodge, No. 660, was born. Reading, Penna., now boasted six Masonic Lodges, and the rapid growth of this new organization demonstrated the wisdom of this movement.

At the Stated Meeting December 1, 1908, the following officers for the year 1909 were elected: William H. Kehl, Worshipful Master; Joseph H. Hasbrouck, Senior Warden; Jacob H. McConnell, Junior Warden; Fred M. Machmer, Treasurer; Samuel E. Nies, Secretary; David T. Schmehl, John Drexel, Henry Price, Trustees, and William W. B. Stamm, Representative in Grand Lodge.

At the Stated Meeting on February 2, 1909, a committee was appointed to communicate with engravers of lodge covers and have them submit samples with the view of selecting a more suitable cover.

At the Stated Meeting on March 2, the Board of Directors of the Masonic Temple and Building Trust informed the Lodge that the loan made to enable the Trust to change the Theatre was greatly reduced. They further stated that they had contracted to change the elevator system to direct electric current and to fully renew the roof of the Temple.

At the April meeting a resolution was presented directing the Worshipful Master and Officers to make arrangements for the proper observance of the 61st Anniversary of the Lodge, the cost

not to exceed \$50. The amount of money allotted to this occasion brought forth remarks and resulted in an amendment to the resolution, directing the stewards not to be limited to any amount in preparing the banquet. The amendment was unanimously adopted. "When 203 Brethren had responded to the invitations enclosed in the monthly notices the program awaited every one on his plate. After the inner man had been satisfied, The Rev. Brother Henry Y. Stoner, who acted as Toastmaster on behalf of the Worshipful Master, opened the occasion in words befitting the 61st Anniversary of Chandler Lodge, No. 227, and called upon those whom the committee had selected to address the Brethren at this time. The Toastmaster announced the name of Brother Past Master Sydenham E. Ancona, the only remaining member of the original number of that historic day, May 4, 1848." This banquet, as was the custom then, lasted well past 12 o'clock, midnight.

At a Special Meeting of September 17, 1909, Brother Past Master Benjamin W. Grist, having been absent from the Lodge for 21 years, presented the Worshipful Master with a beautiful Silver Trowel with the donor's name and the Worshipful Master's name inscribed thereon.

At the Stated Meeting, December 7, 1909, the following officers were elected for the year 1910: Joseph H. Hasbrouck, Worshipful Master; Jacob H. McConnell, Senior Warden; Walter S. Ludwig, Junior Warden; Fred M. Machmer, Treasurer; Samuel E. Nies, Secretary; David T. Schmehl, Henry Price, John Drexel, Trustees; William H. Kehl, Representative in Grand Lodge.

At the Stated Meeting April 5, 1910, amendments to the By-Laws were adopted. The initiation fee was raised from \$50 to \$75 and the salary of the Secretary increased from \$125 per annum to \$150. Three new committees were formed as follows: Committee on Grievance, Committee on Charity and Committee on Furniture.

On June 7, 1910, the Worshipful Master appointed Brothers Samuel F. Guss, P. M.; Jacob H. McConnell, S. W.; and George F. Eisenbrown a committee to act with similar bodies from other Lodges of the Seventh District, relative to preparing plans for memorials to be erected at the new Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, Penna. The resolution was offered by Isaac Hiester Lodge, No. 660,

and presented by the D. D. Grand Master Brother Adam H. Schmehl.

At the Stated Meeting December 6, 1910, the following officers for 1911 were elected: Jacob H. McConnell, Worshipful Master; Walter S. Ludwig, Senior Warden; Harry F. Shindel, Junior Warden; Fred M. Machmer, Treasurer; Samuel E. Nies, Secretary; Henry Price, John Drexel, David T. Schmehl, Trustees; Joseph H. Hasbrouck, Representative to Grand Lodge.

FIRE INTERRUPTS 1910 MEETING

At the special meeting, December 10, 1910, immediately after Brother Jacob H. McConnell had been duly installed as Worshipful Master in the presence of various Past Masters of the Lodge, all other members having retired, Brother Henry Price hurried into the Lodge Room and announced to the Worshipful Master that fire had been discovered in the basement of the building. The Worshipful Master immediately suspended the business of the Lodge; the Secretary, with assistance from the Brethren, carried all of the Lodge records to the drug store of Brother L. Scott Kemp at 124 North Fifth Street. The fire was extinguished by city firemen about 7 P. M. and the conduct of the business of the Lodge resumed until the Lodge closed at 8:50. Apparently only smoke ever entered the Lodge rooms.

At the Stated Meeting May 2, 1911, a resolution was adopted authorizing a "subscription" of \$500 of the funds of the Lodge for the Masonic Home Loan (total of \$200,000) of the Grand Lodge F. & A. M. of Pennsylvania, Series A.

On Tuesday, September 26, 1911, at noon, the cornerstone of Masonic Hall at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania, was laid by the officers of the R. W. Grand Lodge under ideal weather conditions. Various Officers and Brethren of the Lodge attended this interesting historical event. From 3,500 to 4,000 brethren were in line and about 10,000 visitors and spectators were present.

To Subordinate Lodges and Members of the Fraternity of Free and Accepted Masons of Pennsylvania;

GREETING:—You are fraternally invited to participate in the laying of the corner-stone of the

Grand Lodge Hall, Masonic Homes

AT ELIZABETHTOWN, PA., ON

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1911

AT 12 O'CLOCK M.

Permission is hereby granted to the officers and members of Lodges to appear in proper Masonic clothing; officers are to wear collars, jewels and aprons appropriate to their rank, and members to wear aprons.

Masonic Dress—Black clothes, black neck-tie, black high hat, black shoes and white gloves to be worn. Those in other apparel will not be allowed in line.

Give this information to your members, and **advise me, at an early date**, how many to expect.

Fraternally yours,

GEORGE W. GUTHRIE, Grand Master.

The Lodges of this district will attend the above ceremonies accompanied by the full Ringgold Band, on a special train leaving the Outer Station at 8.30 o'clock A. M., Tuesday, September 26th, 1911, via Lancaster. Returning, leave Elizabethtown at 4 o'clock P. M.

FARE, Round Trip, \$1.90

The Grand Lodge will serve lunch for all the brethren and their ladies who may attend.

It is the desire of your Worshipful Master that all the members of Chandler Lodge, No. 227, attend.

Masonic Dress—Black clothes, black tie, black hat, black shoes and white gloves. Aprons and gloves will be provided by the Tyler on the train.

Fraternally,

JACOB H. McCONNELL, W. M.

At the December meeting the following officers for the year 1912 were elected: Walter S. Ludwig, Worshipful Master; Harry F. Shindel, Senior Warden; David S. Wise, Junior Warden; Fred M. Machmer, Treasurer; Samuel E. Nies, Secretary; Henry Price, John Drexel, David T. Schmehl, Trustees; Jacob H. McConnell, Representative in Grand Lodge.

Nothing of historical importance took place in 1912.

On December 3, 1912, a Stated Meeting was held and the following officers for the year 1913 were elected: Harry F. Shindel, Worshipful Master; David R. Wise, Senior Warden; William H. Bridegam, Junior Warden; George F. Eisenbrown, Treasurer; Samuel E. Nies, Secretary; David T. Schmehl, Henry Price, John Drexel, Trustees; Representative in Grand Lodge, Walter S. Ludwig.

At the May meeting a communication was received from the R. W. Grand Master announcing the dedication of Grand Lodge Hall at the Masonic Homes at Elizabethtown, to take place Thursday, June 5, 1913, at 12 o'clock noon, to which the Brethren of Chandler Lodge were invited. Many of the Brethren attended this ceremony.

Like all other Masonic Lodges, Chandler Lodge is extremely proud of the Masonic Homes, which have grown to such huge proportions since their founding. The Brethren have ever shown their interest in various ways, and it is the custom of Chandler Lodge to make a yearly pilgrimage with entertainment groups for the Guests.



Berks Home at Elizabethtown



Main (Grand Lodge) Hall at Elizabethtown Masonic Homes

GUESTS IN MASONIC HOMES

Guests Credited to Chandler Lodge No. 227
at Masonic Homes of Pennsylvania, at Elizabethtown

<i>Name</i>	<i>Admitted</i>	<i>Died</i>	<i>Withdrew</i>
Charles W. Seiders	Apr. 10, 1914	Oct. 9, 1938	
Dorothy C. Otto	Apr. 20, 1915		July 21, 1923
Harry W. Otto	Apr. 20, 1915		Sept. 9, 1918
Ruth M. Otto	Apr. 20, 1915		Jan. 19, 1924
Martin B. Ziegler	June 10, 1916	Mar. 2, 1920	
Richard M. Bell	Dec. 26, 1916		'Feb. 11, 1918
John Warren Bell	Dec. 26, 1916		Nov. 15, 1918
Howard C. Bell	Apr. 7, 1917		Nov. 15, 1918
Phoebe Jane Lewis	Apr. 10, 1917	Feb. 5, 1936	
Elizabeth Goodman	Dec. 12, 1918	Jan. 29, 1920	
Daniel W. Rowland	Dec. 28, 1918	Feb. 20, 1919	
Marion Simms Magill	Oct. 4, 1919	Mar. 22, 1925	
Mary Angstadt	Dec. 6, 1919	Feb. 2, 1928	
Emerson D. Smith	June 16, 1920	Oct. 23, 1922	
Alice J. Keever	Nov. 7, 1925	Sept. 21, 1927	
George W. Gasser	Aug. 20, 1931	Nov. 3, 1931	
Mary A. Boyd	Nov. 9, 1931	Feb. 28, 1932	
John D. Row	Aug. 1, 1934	Aug. 23, 1934	
Laura V. Smith	Feb. 4, 1937		
Thomas T. Noecker	Feb. 3, 1938		May 24, 1947

On December 2, 1913, the following Brethren were elected to office for the ensuing year: David R. Wise, Worshipful Master; William K. Bridegam, Senior Warden; Michael S. Strebig, Junior Warden; Harry F. Shindel, Representative in Grand Lodge. All other officers were reelected.

On March 31, 1914, the Lodge lost one of its outstanding personalities in the death of Brother Samuel E. Nies, P. M., who served as Secretary since 1896. Brother Walter M. Tyson was elected to serve as Secretary for the balance of the Masonic year on the Stated Meeting on May 5, 1914.

At the Stated Meeting of December 1, 1914, the following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing Masonic year: Brothers William K. Bridegam, Worshipful Master; Michael S. Strebig, Senior Warden; Edward D. Angstadt, Junior Warden; Walter M. Tyson, Secretary; and David R. Wise, Representative in Grand Lodge. All other officers were reelected.



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Nothing of importance was recorded for the year 1915.

The following officers were elected on December 7, 1915: Michael S. Strebig, Worshipful Master; Edward D. Angstadt, Senior Warden; Mathias D. Deck, Junior Warden; Joseph H. Hasbrouck, Treasurer; Walter M. Tyson, Secretary; John Drexel, Henry Price, David T. Schmehl, Trustees; William H. Bridegam, Representative in Grand Lodge.

There were no special events in 1916. On December 5, 1916, the following officers were elected for 1917: Edward D. Angstadt, Worshipful Master; Mathias D. Deck, Senior Warden; John C. Hiester, Junior Warden; Joseph H. Hasbrouck, Treasurer; Walter M. Tyson, Secretary; Henry Price, John Drexel, David T. Schmehl, Trustees; Michael S. Strebig, Representative in Grand Lodge.

At the Stated Meeting in January, 1917, the Fees for initiation and membership were increased to \$100, of which \$20 were applied to the Masonic Homes of the Grand Lodge.

At the March meeting Brother Jacob H. McConnell was elected as Trustee in place of Brother Henry Price, deceased.

The use of chain letters by Masonic Lodges was strictly prohibited by the Grand Master in a communication dated March 17, 1917. The chain letters concerned the "so-called Masonic Prayer".

An edict by the Grand Master was received stating that not more than 50 new members may be added by any one Lodge in one year. The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania urged each member to contribute \$2 to a fund to be placed in charge of the Grand Lodge and to be used for the benefit of needy dependents of members of the various lodges now engaged in war. 126,000 members (Masons) were in the State of Pennsylvania at this time.

By a resolution adopted on October 2, 1917, at a regular Stated Meeting, Chandler Lodge Resolved: "to co-operate with the Masonic Relief Association of the United States and Canada and to contribute one cent per capita thereto." The Masonic Relief Association is a non-profit organization made up of the representatives of 40 odd Grand Lodges and over 100 Masonic Relief Boards. Its purpose is to prevent imposition upon the fraternity by impostors and unworthy members.

At a regular Stated Meeting on November 6, 1917, it was resolved by the members of Chandler Lodge to hold the usual banquet, limiting its scope, at the annual meeting on December 4, 1917. The R. W. Grand Master had requested that Lodges cooperate in eliminating waste during the war, by eliminating large banquets.

The following Officers for 1918 were elected on December 4, 1917: Mathias D. Deck, Worshipful Master; John C. Hiester, Senior Warden; Elmer D. Miller, Junior Warden; Joseph H. Hasbrouck, Treasurer; Walter M. Tyson, Secretary; Jacob H. McConnell, David T. Schmehl and Harry F. Shindel, Trustees; Edward D. Angstadt, Representative in Grand Lodge.

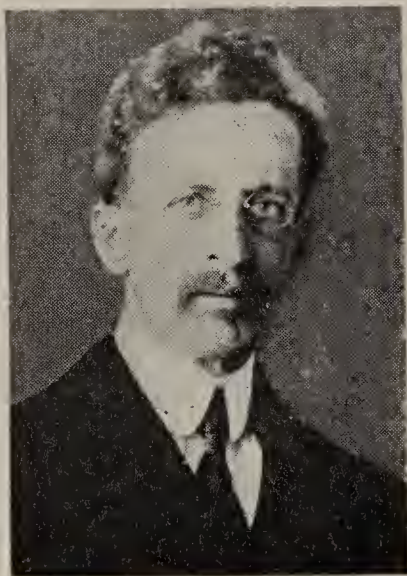
WILLIAM W. B. STAMM



William Walter Benjamin Stamm was born in Reading, Pa., in April, 1874. He was graduated from Reading High School, Franklin Institute, and Drexel Institute of Philadelphia, where he majored in mechanical drawing and applied electricity. He also learned the machinist's trade, and for many years was interested in the advancement of electrical and mechanical affairs of Berks County. His deep interest in literature however, and his recognized ability as a salesman, led him into a new field in later life. He will be remembered by many as a salesman for various publishing houses.

Brother Stamm was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on October 1, 1901, and served as Worshipful Master in 1908. He was also a member of Excelsior Chapter, Reading Commandery and Rajah Temple. He was a member of various Masonic choirs. He died August 26, 1924, aged 51 years. He was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

WILLIAM H. KEHL



William H. Kehl was born in Boyertown, Pa., March 2, 1876. Upon completion of his education in the Boyertown public schools, he learned the machinist trade. Having followed that trade for a number of years, he entered the hosiery business, which he pursued until his retirement shortly before his death. During his life he resided in Boyertown, in Reading and in Wyomissing, all in the County of Berks.

Brother Kehl was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on June 3, 1902, and served as Worshipful Master in 1909.

He died January 22, 1936, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery, Reading.

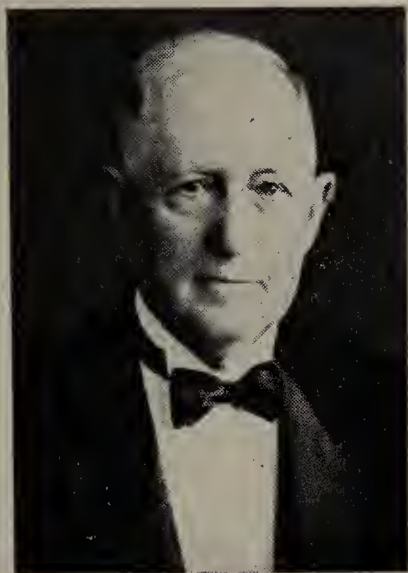
JOSEPH H. HASBROUCK



Joseph H. Hasbrouck was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, March 1, 1884. He was educated in the public schools of Reading, and at Girard College, Philadelphia. He was first employed as a clerk by the Diamond Electric Company of Philadelphia, and then returned to Reading to become a messenger in the Farmer's National Bank. After a series of promotions in that institution, he was elected cashier of the Penn National Bank, Reading, Pennsylvania, in 1918, and became its president in 1926. Many honors came to him in banking circles, and he was appointed by the Pennsylvania State Banking Commission as Receiver of a large financial institution.

In his Masonic career, Brother Hasbrouck has been affiliated with Reading Consistory and with Rajah Temple. Brother Hasbrouck was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on March 7, 1905, and was its Worshipful Master in 1910. He served as treasurer from 1914 to 1929.

JACOB H. McCONNELL



Jacob H. McConnell was born February 10, 1867, at Honey Brook, Penna., and attended the Honey Brook High School. Besides residing in Reading during a large part of his life he has at times made his home in Denver, Col., New York City and Philadelphia. He served the City of Reading as Councilman from 1914 to 1916, 1918 to 1920, and from 1926 to 1930. For many years he was foreman of the City of Reading asphalt plant, from which position he retired in 1947.

Brother McConnell was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge in August, 1904, and served as Worshipful Master in 1911. He has served as Most Excellent High Priest in Excelsior Chapter No. 237, Eminent Commander of Reading Commandery, Knights Templar, No. 42; Thrice Potent Master in Reading Lodge of Perfection, Sovereign Prince in C. Gilbert Steffe Council, and Most Wise Master in Rose Croix. In 1929 he became a 33rd Degree Mason in the Scottish Rites.

Brother McConnell has resided for the past 47 years at 152 West Douglass Street, Reading.

WALTER SCHEARER LUDWIG



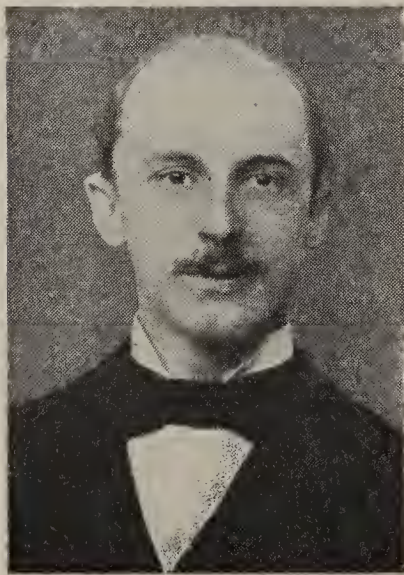
Walter Schearer Ludwig was born May 28, 1880, near Earlville, Berks County. After attending the public schools of Stonersville and Reading he took further instruction in the Interstate Commercial College in Reading for his career as a book-keeper in the Merritt Lumber Yards, Reading, from 1900 to 1906; from 1906 to 1909 as a clothing manufacturer at Amityville, and since 1909 to the present date as a salesman for Boyertown Burial Casket Company.

He is a member of Calvary Reformed Church at Reading and prior thereto was a member and elder in St. Mark's Reformed Church. He is past president of Governor Joseph Hiester Chapter, S. A. R., and of the Ludwig Family Association of America, Inc.

He is a director of the Berks County Historical Society and of the Huguenot Society of Pennsylvania, and a member of the Pennsylvania German Society and of the Reading Rotary Club.

He was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on October 3, 1905, and served as Worshipful Master in 1912. He is a Charter Member of Reading Consistory. In 1907 he became a member of Excelsior R. A. Chapter, No. 237, and became High Priest in 1927. The same year he became a member of Philadelphia Consistory, the Joshua Association, Philadelphia, and of Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. In 1909 he became a member of Reading Commandery, No. 42, Knights Templar, and served as Eminent Commander in 1921 and 1922. In 1921 he became a member of Creigh Council, No. 16, R. and S. M., and was Thrice Illustrious Master in 1929. In 1939 he became a member of Penn Priory, No. 6, Knights of the York Cross of Honor, Harrisburg. In 1943 he became a member of Orient Conclave, No. 2, Red Cross of Constantine, Bloomsburg, Pa. He helped organize Reading Chapter, DeMolay for Boys, became its Advisor, and was bestowed the Cross of Honor. Brother Ludwig had the unusual pleasure of seeing his father, David VanReed Ludwig entered, passed and raised, and had the privilege of raising his own son, David Richard Ludwig, both as members of Chandler.

HARRY F. SHINDEL



Harry Ferdinand Shindel was born in Lancaster, Pa. He was educated in the public schools of Port Royal, Juniata County, Pa.; New Chester, Adams County, Pa.; Airy View Academy, Port Royal, Pa., and attended Gettsburg College. He has lived in Lancaster, Port Royal, New Chester, Philadelphia and Reading. For the past 50 years he has been associated with Willson Products Inc., in Reading, serving as its superintendent since 1916. He presently resides at the Berkshire Hotel in Reading and is a member of the Second Reformed Church.

Brother Shindel was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on February 4, 1908 and served as Worshipful Master in 1913. He is a member of Reading Commandery, No. 42, Knights Templar, and Excelsior Chapter, No. 237. He is a former member of Reading Lodge of Perfection.

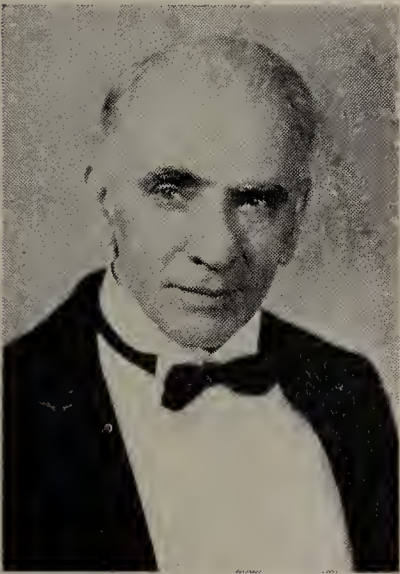


DAVID R. WISE

David Ranson Wise was born in Reading on March 19, 1884. He attended the Reading public schools, graduating from high school in 1902. He was graduated from Ursinus College in 1906, and entered the employ of the Farmers National Bank of Reading. He also served as secretary of the Terrey Hosiery Company for a short time. He then became an instructor in Reading Boys High School.

Brother Wise was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on February 4, 1908, and served as its Worshipful Master in 1914. He was a member of Reading Consistory and of Rajah Temple.

Brother Wise died February 18, 1916, age 32 years, and was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery, Reading.



WILLIAM K. BRIDEGAM

William K. Bridegam was born September 23, 1875, in Temple, Berks County. After attending the Reading public schools he learned the plumbing trade, serving his apprenticeship with Haage and Tomney. In June, 1902, he went into business for himself and has so continued up to the present date. While a boy in school he learned telegraphy in the evening, worked as a newsboy, and also as a baker for Charles Auer. During his plumbing career he installed or supervised the plumbing installation at the Old Second National Bank building, which is now the Reading Trust Company; the Earl Paper Store; the former Y. M. C. A., which is now Croll and Keck's store; the Mansion House; Hill School, Pottstown and many other large building operations.

Brother Bridegam was made a Mason March 3, 1908, and served as Worshipful Master in 1915. He served as High Priest in Excelsior Chapter in 1925, is a member of Reading Commandery, No. 42, Knights Templar, and of Creigh Council. He resides at 550 North Front Street.

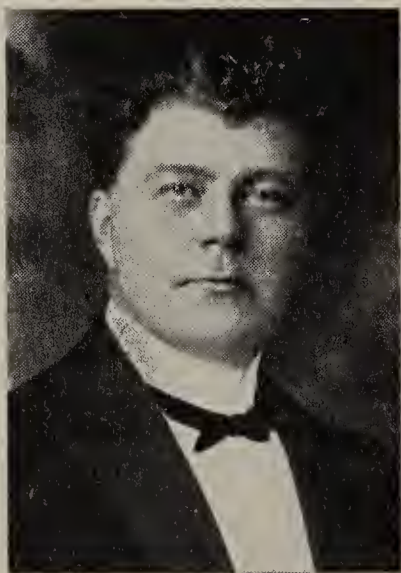


MICHAEL S. STREBIG

Michael S. Strebis was born September 29, 1881, in Columbia, Penna., and attended the Columbia public schools and the Reading Evening High School. He lived in Columbia from 1881 to 1906; in Lancaster, Penna., from 1906 to 1909, and from 1909 to the present date in Reading. He learned the pattern making trade and was engaged in that work until 1906. From 1916 to 1920 he taught in the Reading Boys High School. In 1920 he went into the insurance business, in which work he is still engaged.

He is an active member of Windsor Street Methodist Episcopal Church and of various civic organizations.

Brother Strebis was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge March 5, 1910, and served as Worshipful Master in 1916. On June 4, 1918, he was elected Secretary and has served continuously and most efficiently until the present time. He served a number of years as Principal of Reading School of Instruction and is generally recognized for his knowledge of Masonry. He is also affiliated with Excelsior Chapter, No. 237; Reading Commandery, No. 42; Reading Consistory and Rajah Temple.



EDWARD D. ANGSTADT

Edward D. Angstadt was born April 20, 1878, in Fleetwood, Penna. He attended the Fleetwood high school. He lived in Fleetwood for 17 years, Reading for 27 years, Pittsburgh for nine years, Los Angeles, Cal., for four years, and at Chatham, N. J., for twelve years. He has been a carriage painter, decorator and supervisor. Brother Angstadt was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge December 11, 1909 and was elected Worshipful Master December 5, 1916, to serve for the year 1917. He was a member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Reading, Pa., since May 22, 1910. He was an active member of the Consistory choir from 1910 to 1923. Brother Angstadt died in 1947, was buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

CHAPTER VIII

1918-1928

The decade 1918-1928 was an era of great national prosperity and saw Chandler Lodge increase its membership to 921, a gain of 369 members. The year 1920 was the high water mark with 97 initiates, and 22 extra meetings. The assets of the Lodge were practically doubled. The other Masonic Lodges were likewise experiencing busy days and the demand for the Lodge Hall was far greater than its possibilities.

This decade also saw the end of World War I, in which 41 members played a noble part. The following Brethren were members of Chandler when they entered the service:

Ahrens, Benneville K.	Navy	Kauffman, George R. H.	Army
Alexander, Robert M.	Army	Keech, William R.	Army
Barto, Paul L.	Navy	Keim, Daniel J.	Army
Bauscher, Abner H.	Army	Kline, Heber S.	Army
Beachler, Robert B.	Army	Lauer, Carl F.	Army
Breneiser, Samuel L.	Army	Leinbach, Howard M.	Army
Buchter, Howard E.	Army	Littlehales, Robert F.	Army
Darrah, Leon C.	Army	Lowery, Thomas A.	Army
Dengler, Raymond	Army	Marks, Frederick L.	Army
Dreibelbis, Solomon L.	Army	Moyer, Joseph K.	Army
Eberly, Harvey R.	Army	Newcomet, Henry I.	Army
Fisher, Earl W.	Marine	Potteiger, Clarence R.	Army
Glase, Claude H.	Army	Quimby, William McD.	Navy
Grant, Hudson L.	Navy	Ruth, Robert G.	Army
Griesemer, Wellington D.	Army	Schmehl, Luther C.	Army
Happel, Glen A.	Navy	Seyler, Edwin Y.	Army
Hartman, William M.	Navy	*Smith, Stanley Kline	Army
High, Isaac B.	Army	Sonen, Walter L.	Army
Hinnershots, Harry W.	Army	Walsh, Harry L.	Army
Huber, Oscar M.	Army	Wertz, Allen R.	Army
* Made the Supreme Sacrifice.		Wertz, Augustus S.	Army

At the Stated Meeting June 4, 1918, Brother Michael S. Strebig, our present Secretary, was elected Secretary to succeed Brother Walter M. Tyson, deceased.

At the Extra Meeting in June, an appeal from United States Food Administrator Herbert C. Hoover was read, urging members of the Lodge to conserve food and abstain from wheat until the next harvest.

At the Stated Meeting on November 5, 1918, a communication was read from the Grand Master stating that by permission of B. Franklin Royer, Acting State Health Commissioner, the Lodges may hold meetings with a limited number of members present, a sufficient length of time to transact urgent and necessary business, but not longer than one hour at any one session and no banquet to be indulged in until the ban is lifted.

Officers for 1919 were elected on December 3, 1918: John C. Hiester, Worshipful Master; Elmer D. Miller, Senior Warden; Ray E. Godshall, Junior Warden; Joseph H. Hasbrouck, Treasurer; Michael S. Strebig, Secretary; David T. Schmehl, Jacob H. McConnell, Harry F. Shindel, Trustees, and Mathias D. Deck, Representative in Grand Lodge.

At the Stated Meeting in September, 1919, Amendments to the By-Laws were adopted.

At the November Meeting a letter was received from the R. W. Grand Master requesting the aid of all subordinate Lodges in the erection of a suitable memorial at Alexandria, Va., to Washington the Mason.

A letter was received from the Masonic Building Trust informing of rent increase from flat rate of \$100 per lodge and \$1.25 per member to flat rate of \$100 per lodge (same) and \$1.50 per member, effective for the year 1920.

On December 2, 1919, the Officers for the year 1920 were elected as follows: Elmer D. Miller, Worshipful Master; Ray E. Godshall, Senior Warden; Frederick W. Cox, Jr., Junior Warden; Joseph H. Hasbrouck, Treasurer; Michael S. Strebig, Secretary; Jacob H. McConnell, Harry F. Shindel, Frank H. Phillips, Trustees, and John C. Hiester, Representative in Grand Lodge.

By a resolution at a Stated Meeting on October 5, 1920, it was resolved: That Chandler Lodge should forward a contribution to the Grand Treasurer for an amount equal to the Membership of December 27, 1919, to wit, \$627. Up to this time subscriptions amounting to \$549 had been received from the members. The deficit was taken from the Lodge Treasury per the resolution.

The year 1920 was outstanding principally for its unusual number of meetings, thirty-two Stated and Special Meetings being held,

and the many applications for Degrees and Membership, many of which "fell by the wayside." One hundred were granted.

Officers for the year 1921 were elected on December 7, 1920: Ray E. Godshall, Worshipful Master; Frederick W. Cox, Jr., Senior Warden; G. Edgar Phillips, Junior Warden; Joseph H. Hasbrouck, Treasurer; Michael S. Strebig, Secretary; Jacob H. McConnell, Frank H. Phillips, Harry F. Shindel, Trustees (General Fund); John C. Hiester, John Kaufmann, George S. Beck, Trustees (Relief Fund); Representative in Grand Lodge, Elmer D. Miller.

At a Special Meeting held November 29, 1921, the R. W. Grand Master Brother John S. Sell addressed Chandler Lodge. He explained the edict relating to the Order of the Eastern Star, the White Shrine of Jerusalem, the Amaranths, etc.

At the Stated Meeting on December 7, 1921, the By-Laws were amended, increasing the dues to \$8 for each member except that any member who has "paid full dues to the Lodge for ten consecutive Masonic years shall be an honorary member and shall pay \$5 per annum." Also "a member who has paid full dues to the Lodge for 50 consecutive Masonic years shall be a life member and will be exempt from dues."

On December 6, 1921, the officers for 1922 were elected as follows: Frederick W. Cox, Jr., Worshipful Master; G. Edgar Phillips, Senior Warden; Oscar M. Huber, Junior Warden; Joseph H. Hasbrouck, Treasurer; Michael S. Strebig, Secretary; Jacob H. McConnell, Harry F. Shindel, Frank H. Phillips, Trustees (of the Lodge); John Kaufmann, George S. Beck, John C. Hiester, Trustees (of Relief Fund); Ray E. Godshall, Representative in Grand Lodge.

On Saturday, May 27, 1922, members of Chandler Lodge joined the Brethren of the sister Lodges in assisting the Officers of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania in laying the cornerstone of Northeast Junior High School.

The Lodge, through the Grand Secretary's office, received two copies of the "Memorial Tree Certificate of Registration by the American Forestry Association," one copy of which was to be forwarded to the nearest of kin of Brother Stanley Kline Smith, who made the supreme sacrifice in the World War, and the other copy to be retained by the Lodge.

At the Stated Meeting of September 5, 1922, 14 Brethren were presented with Life Membership cards, having been members for 50 Masonic years.

On December 5, 1922, the following Officers for the year 1923 were elected: G. Edgar Phillips, Worshipful Master; Oscar M. Huber, Senior Warden; I. Carroll Regar, Junior Warden; Representative in Grand Lodge, Frederick W. Cox, Jr.; and the remaining officers were reelected.

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY MAY 4, 1923

SEVENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

Benjamin H. Zerr, General Chairman
G. Edgar Phillips, Assistant

Reception of Speakers—Jacob H. McConnell, Chairman; John Kaufmann, George S. Beck.

Speakers—Henry Y. Stoner, Chairman; Michael S. Strebig, Harry L. Althouse.

Printing—Mathias D. Deck, Chairman; Edward D. Angstadt, Joseph H. Hasbrouck, Israel H. Shreiner, William H. Yeager.

Entertainment and Music—Elmer D. Miller, Chairman; Paul E. Glase, Frederick W. Cox, Jr., John C. Hiester, Oscar M. Huber, I. Carroll Regar, George T. Cobb.

Banquet—William P. Saylor, Chairman; James C. Eyster.

Reception of Grand Lodge Officers—William F. Shanaman, Chairman; Harry J. G. Schad, Richard T. Lenhart, William K. Bridegam, Gideon B. Kostenbader, John L. Day.

Aged and Indisposed Members—Walter S. Ludwig, Chairman; Henry J. Raudenbush, Samuel M. Sherman, Paul E. Butler, Emil R. Snyder.

Banquet Hall—W. Wayne Weber, Chairman; George F. Eisenbrown, George M. LeVan, W. Howard Swartz.

P R O G R A M M E

*Invocation*

BRO. HENRY Y. STONER

*America**Vocal Selection*

"I Wonder if the Same Old Moon Shines in Ireland To-night"

Bro. William McD. Quimby and Chandler Chorus

*Greetings from Grand Lodge*Bro. Abraham M. Beitler, *Right Worshipful Grand Master**Solo, Selected*

Bro. William R. Keech

Vocal Selection

"The Bee That Gets the Honey Doesn't Hang Around the Hive"

Bro. Paul E. Glase and Chandler Chorus

Vocal Selection

"Down the Trail to Home, Sweet Home"

Bro. William R. Keech and Chandler Chorus

Address

Bro. Warren W. Giles, Lodge No. 208, East Orange, N. J.

Auld Lang Syne

M E N U

Clam Cocktail

Olives Salted Nuts Celery Radishes

Consomme

French Rolls Saltines

Creamed Halibut

Pineapple Sherbet

Roast Chicken

New Potatoes Giblet Sauce New Peas Tomato Salad Dressing

Ice Cream

Assorted Cakes

Coffee

Mints Crystal Rock



Musical Selections—Bro. Earl Boyer's Orchestra

“Ah, my Beloved, fill the cup that clears
To-day of past regret and future fears,
To-morrow? Why, to-morrow I may be
Myself with yesterday's sev'n thousand years.”

“Ah, fill the cup, what boots it to repeat
How time is slipping underneath our feet;
Unborn to-morrow and dead yesterday,
Why fret about them if to-day be sweet?”

Officers and Committees for 1923



Worshipful Master

G. EDGAR PHILLIPS

Senior Warden

OSCAR M. HUBER

Junior Warden

I. CARROLL REGAR

Treasurer

JOSEPH H. HASBROUCK, P.M.

Secretary

MICHAEL S. STREBIG, P.M.

Trustees of the Invested Funds

JACOB H. McCONNELL, P.M.

HARRY F. SHINDEL, P.M.

FRANK H. PHILLIPS

Trustees of the Relief Fund

JOHN C. HIESTER, P.M.

JOHN KAUFMANN

GEORGE S. BECK

Representative in Grand Lodge

FREDERICK W. COX, JR., P.M.

Chaplain

WILLIAM B. HELEINE

Senior Deacon

CLARENCE F. STUEBNER

Junior Deacon

GEORGE T. COBB

Senior Master of Ceremonies

WALTER S. STRAUSE

Junior Master of Ceremonies

GEORGE M. NOLL

Pursuivant

WILLIAM H. YEAGER

Tyler

CHARLES H. KUHLMAN

Stewards

WILLIAM P. SAYLOR

JAMES C. EYLER

Committee on Grievance

SAMUEL F. GUSS, P.M.

WILLIAM F. SHANAMAN, P.M.

WALTER S. LUDWIG, P.M.

W. WAYNE WEBER

HENRY Y. STONER

Committee on Charity

ELMER D. MILLER, P.M.

JOHN C. HIESTER, P.M.

WILLIAM F. McNALL

Committee on Furniture

MATHIAS D. DECK, P.M.

GEORGE S. BECK

EDWARD J. DEININGER

Representative to Masonic Home of Pennsylvania

WILLIAM F. SHANAMAN, P.M.

Consolidated Board of Masonic Charity

JACOB H. McCONNELL, P.M.

GEORGE M. MADEIRA, P.M.

A donation of \$50 was made to the Christmas Fund of Masonic Homes.

On November 1, 1923, Chandler Lodge was represented by a number of its members at the laying of the Cornerstone of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial at Alexandria, Va.

Little of historical interest took place during this year but it was busy in Lodge activities. Twenty-six meetings were held.

The following officers for 1924 were elected on December 4, 1923: Oscar M. Huber, Worshipful Master; I. Carroll Regar, Senior Warden; George T. Cobb, Junior Warden; Representative in Grand Lodge, G. Edgar Phillips. The remaining officers were reelected.

At the Stated Meeting, February 5, 1924, the By-Laws were amended, increasing the initiation fee to \$150.

The first of a series of Short Talks issued by the National Masonic Service Association, entitled "The Altar," was read by Brother Henry Y. Stoner at the Stated Meeting, June 3, 1924. Many others followed, and were read at subsequent Stated Meetings.

At the Stated Meeting of December 2, 1924, a communication was received from the R. W. Grand Master extending his thanks for the interest exercised by this Lodge in connection with a donation of \$5,000 for a room in the Hospital at the Masonic Homes, received from Mrs. Charles H. Weaver, widow of Brother Charles H. Weaver, a member of Chandler Lodge who died on May 22, 1920.

On December 2, 1924, the following Officers for the year 1925 were elected: I. Carroll Regar, Worshipful Master; George T. Cobb, Senior Warden; Walter S. Strause, Junior Warden; Oscar M. Huber, Representative in Grand Lodge. The remaining officers were reelected.

The Worshipful Master announced that Brother Samuel M. Goodyear, Right Worshipful Grand Master, will lay the corner stone of the Southern Junior High School at Tenth and Chestnut Streets, Reading, on Saturday, January 10, 1925, at 2 o'clock P. M. and requested the Brethren to attend. Many Brethren of Chandler responded to this call.

A communication was received from the R. W. Grand Master advising that this Lodge had contributed \$903 to the George Wash-

ington Masonic National Memorial and urging co-operation and response to his appeal for further contributions.

On September 25, Chandler Lodge officers took part in the constitution of Reading's newest lodge, Puritan, No. 740, which was made up originally of lodge members from other cities and towns, residing in Reading or nearby. It started with exactly 100 "sojourners," two other signers to the petition for a warrant being unable to attend the constitution ceremonies.

Thus Chandler witnessed the founding of five other lodges in Reading, in its first centennial of work. This was an average of one new lodge for every 20 years.

The new Lodge, Puritan, was intended to be known as Pilgrim, but to avoid a conflict in title, the name was changed to Puritan. J. Edward Billheimer, Potomac Lodge, No. 5, Washington, D. C. was its first Master. District Deputy Henry H. Barr was in office when the first call to meet to consider a new lodge plan was issued on April 17, 1925.

The same year witnessed the founding of a lodge in Boyertown, but this lodge was not included in the Seventh District.

Officers for the year 1926 were elected on December 1, 1925: George T. Cobb, Worshipful Master; Walter S. Strause, Senior Warden; Wilbur B. Long, Junior Warden; I. Carroll Regar, Representative in Grand Lodge; the remaining officers were reelected.

At the Stated Meeting January 5, 1926, a communication was received from Puritan Lodge, No. 740, expressing thanks for the set of working tools and Masonic clothing presented by the Lodges of the District.

Officers for the year 1927 were elected on December 7, 1926: Walter S. Strause, Worshipful Master; Wilbur B. Long, Senior Warden; Harry E. Graul, Junior Warden; George T. Cobb, Representative in Grand Lodge; John C. Hiester, George S. Beck, and Elmer D. Miller, Trustees of the Relief Fund. The remaining officers were reelected.

The Auditing Committee presented the following recommendation: "In accordance with the suggestion of the R. W. Grand Mas-

ter, we, the undersigned Auditors, recommend that the Lodge devise a plan whereby the amount expended for Refreshments be materially reduced." Committee: Frederick W. Cox, Jr., Oscar M. Huber, I. Carroll Regar.

At the September Stated Meeting, \$200 was contributed by the members to the Mississippi Flood Fund, and \$400 to the Berks Memorial Endowment Fund.

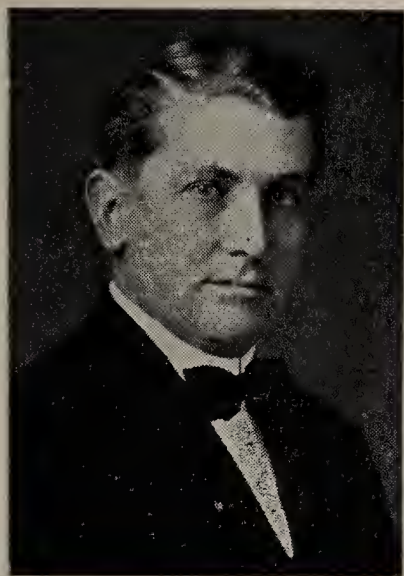
On October 4, 1927, at a Stated Meeting, a gavel made of stone from King Solomon's quarries, obtained on a recent world tour by Brother Harry J. G. Schad, was presented to the Lodge by Past Master Schad.

At the Stated Meeting of November 1, 1927, it was, on motion, Resolved: "That this Lodge join in a project with other Masonic bodies of this district to establish a Masonic Library and Museum and that the Worshipful Master appoint a committee to confer with committees from other bodies on this proposition."

On December 6, 1927, at the Stated Meeting, the Worshipful Master appointed the following committee to confer with committees from the other Masonic bodies on the establishment of a Masonic Library and Museum: William F. Shanaman, P. M., Oscar M. Huber, P. M., and Henry Y. Stoner. Failure to provide space in the Masonic Temple has ever prevented this worthy project from becoming a reality.

The following Officers for the year 1928 were elected on December 6, 1927: Harry E. Gaul, Worshipful Master; Jacob F. Hertzog, Senior Warden; Earl E. Fake, Junior Warden; Walter S. Strause, Representative in Grand Lodge. The remaining officers were reelected.

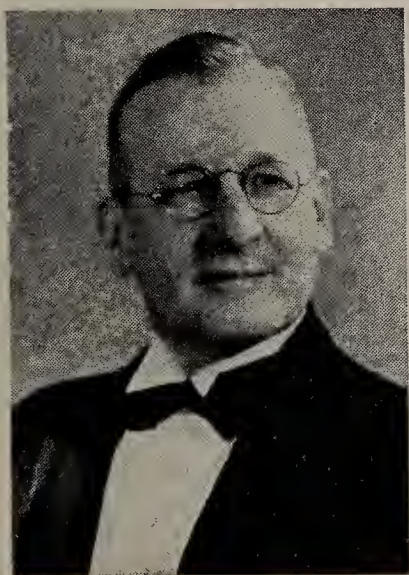
MATHIAS DANIEL DECK



Mathias Daniel Deck was born September 9, 1879, on a small farm about one mile east of Rehrersburg, Berks County. He attended the public schools of Rehrersburg and was graduated from its high school. He remained in Rehrersburg until 1897, when he moved to Reading, living there until February 1, 1926. On that date he moved to Williamsport, Penna., living there until March 29, 1929, when he moved to Philadelphia. He has lived in Philadelphia from then until the present date, residing at 6508 Wyncote Avenue. Brother Deck attended the E. W. Deck School of Shorthand and Typing and has been a clerk in the Pennsylvania Railroad offices since October 29, 1900.

Brother Deck was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge March 7, 1911, and served as Worshipful Master in 1918. He was a Junior Warden in 1916 and Senior Warden in 1917.

JOHN C. HIESTER



John C. Hiester was born November 8, 1886 in Reading. He attended the Reading public schools and was graduated from Stoner's Business College in Reading. For the past ten years he has been a deputy collector in the Internal Revenue office in Reading. He presently resides at 1028 North Fifth Street, Reading, having lived here all his life.

Brother Hiester was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge, March 1, 1910, and served as its Worshipful Master in 1919. He is a member of Reading Lodge of Perfection, C. Gilbert Steffy Council, Rose Croix; in Reading Consistory; Excelsior Chapter, No. 237, Royal Arch Masons; Reading Commandery, No. 42, and Rajah Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S. He has served as Treasurer of Chandler Lodge since 1931.

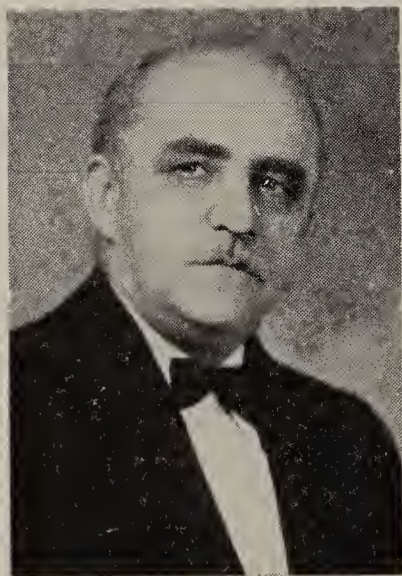
ELMER D. MILLER



Elmer D. Miller was born October 1, 1884, at Mohnton. He lived in Mohnton until 1916, when he moved to Reading, where he has since resided. He attended the public schools of Mohnton, the Reading Classical School, Reading, Pennsylvania State College and Eastman National Business College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. He is assistant treasurer of the Berks County Trust Company, Reading.

Brother Miller was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on February 2, 1909, and served as its Worshipful Master in 1920. He is the leader of the Chandler Chorus. He is a member of the Reading Consistory and its choir, and of Rajah Temple. He belongs to Windsor Street M. E. Church.

RAY E. GODSHALL



Ray E. Godshall was born January 6, 1888, in Pittston, Penna. He attended the public schools of Mahanoy City and McCann's Business College at Mahanoy City. He subsequently moved to Reading, where he engaged in the real estate business, in which work he is still occupied. During World War II he served as a clerk on one of the Reading Draft Boards.

Brother Godshall was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on October 9, 1913, and served as its Worshipful Master in 1921.

FREDERICK W. COX



Frederick W. Cox was born March 26, 1886 in Jersey City, N. J. He attended the public schools of Jersey City and of Reading, where he moved when he was 16 years of age. Following his graduation from school he worked all his life at the Carpenter Steel Company, where he was a steam hammerman. He died January 22, 1943, and is buried in Charles Evans Cemetery.

Brother Cox was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on January 29, 1910, and served as its Worshipful Master in 1922. He was Trustee of the General Fund from 1928 to the date of his death. He was a member of Reading Consistory and the Mystic Shrine.

G. EDGAR PHILLIPS



G. Edgar Phillips was born in Reading, January 29, 1891, and educated in the local public schools. Upon his graduation from Reading High School in 1910, he served his apprenticeship as a bricklayer. A graduate of I. C. S. of Scranton, Pa., in architectural engineering and drafting, he has been in charge of construction of all types of buildings and furnaces in many parts of the United States and Canada.

Brother Phillips was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on June 6, 1916. He was Worshipful Master in 1923, when the Lodge celebrated its 75th Anniversary. He is also a member of Reading Consistory.

OSCAR M. HUBER



Oscar M. Huber was born November 28, 1896 at Gibraltar, Berks County, and moved to Reading with his parents when a small boy. He attended the Reading Public Schools and was graduated from high school in 1914. He then entered the employ of the Neversink Bank, where he remained until it was absorbed by the Penn National Bank, Reading. He left the latter institution to become assistant treasurer of the Colonial-Northeastern Trust Company, and later became manager of its Sixth and Washington Streets branch office. He was a veteran of the first World War.

Brother Huber was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on January 1, 1918. He served as its Worshipful Master in 1924, and as its treasurer from 1930 until his death. He was also a member of Reading Consistory and of Rajah Temple, and was a charter member of the Drum and Bugle Corps of the latter institution. Brother Huber died April 5, 1931, age 34 years and was buried at Gibraltar.

ISAAC CARROLL REGAR



Isaac Carroll Regar was born May 31, 1894, at Denver, Lancaster County. He attended the Denver High School, and the Reading Evening High School. Following his graduation from school he worked for the Reading Telegram newspaper, after which he went to the Carpenter Steel Company, Reading. After several years he moved to Cumberland, Md., and then to Pittsburgh, where he worked for steel companies. He then returned to Reading and worked for four years as city chemist in the Bureau of Water under former Mayor John K. Stauffer. He then went to the Penn National Bank and finally the Sinking Spring Bank, where he is presently employed as a teller. He is a member of the Church Council of Trinity Lutheran Church, Reading, and resides at 15 Telford Avenue, West Lawn.

Brother Regar was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge in 1920 and served as its Worshipful Master in 1925. He served as Thrice Potent Master in Reading Lodge of Perfection in 1932, is a member of Rajah Temple, Tall Cedars, and is Past President of the Temple Club.

GEORGE T. COBB



George Tilden Cobb was born in Scranton, Penna., in July, 1894. He was a graduate of Wilkes-Barre High School and of Lafayette College. His first position was as a salesman with the Kellogg Corn Flake Company. He later became an accountant with the Mercantile Sales Corporation, and had the important commission of closing out the affairs of the Lord and Gage Department Store. Shortly thereafter he entered the Penn National Bank as assistant cashier and later was promoted to the position of cashier.

Brother Cobb became a member of Chandler Lodge on November 1, 1921, and served as its Worshipful Master in 1926. He died December 10, 1932, and was buried in Laureldale Cemetery, Reading.

WALTER S. STRAUSE



Walter Schaeffer Strause was born February 2, 1888, in Bethel Township, Berks County. He received his education in the West Reading Public Schools, after which he entered the interior decorating business, in which he is still engaged. He presently resides and has his business at 34 West Broad Street, Shillington, where he has been for many years.

Brother Strause was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge in 1921 and served as its Worshipful Master in 1927. He is a member of Rajah Temple and Reading Consistory, Ancient Scottish Rite, and was a member of the Consistory choir for many years.

CHAPTER IX

1928-1938

The tremendous gains of the preceding decade were not to be continued, or even held, during this period. The high water mark of total membership in Chandler Lodge was reached in 1930 with 940 members.

Dark clouds were forming, and the storm was at its peak from 1933 to 1943. The average number of initiates dropped to less than four a year. The membership of Chandler Lodge dropped from 902 to 728, while the total membership of all Masonic Lodges in Pennsylvania dropped from 201,618 to 170,138 members.

The attendance during the year 1928 was very good, due in part to shorter meetings. The number of applications for affiliation had now reached the point of normalcy.

At the December meeting the following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing Masonic year: Wilbur B. Long, Worshipful Master; Jacob F. Hertzog, Senior Warden; Earl E. Fake, Junior Warden; Harry E. Graul, Representative to Grand Lodge. The remaining officers were reelected.

At the Stated Meeting of May 7, 1929, a communication from the R. W. Grand Master was read whereby authority to "pass to the chair" without dispensation was cancelled.

At the meeting in December the following officers were elected: Brothers Jacob F. Hertzog, Worshipful Master; Earl E. Fake, Senior Warden; Russell F. Albright, Junior Warden; Oscar M. Huber, Treasurer; Wilbur B. Long, Representative in the Grand Lodge; and the other officers were reelected.

At the Stated Meeting of September 2, 1930, the Trustees were instructed to request the Masonic Temple and Building Trust to renew the worn floor covering and furnishings and refinish the walls of the Lodge Room.

The following were elected officers for the ensuing year: Brothers Earl E. Fake, Worshipful Master; Russell F. Albright, Senior Warden; David J. Hill, Jr., Junior Warden; Jacob F. Hert-

zog, Representative in Grand Lodge; the other officers were re-elected.

At the April, 1931 meeting the Worshipful Master announced the death of the Treasurer, Brother Oscar M. Huber, P. M., on April 5, 1931.

The "Two Hundredth Anniversary of the Organization of Freemasonry in Pennsylvania" was celebrated this year by the R. W. Grand Lodge in a most elaborate manner. A very attractive book, program and bronze medal commemorating the event were presented to those in attendance. Chandler Lodge was represented by the Worshipful Master, Brother Earl E. Fake, and the elected Delegate, Brother Jacob F. Hertzog.

Chandler Lodge, in conjunction with all the other Lodges of the Seventh District, celebrated the event with the following program in the Rajah Temple, October 28, 1931.

BI-CENTENARY ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM

"AMERICA"By all the Brethren

INVOCATION.....The Reverend Brother James R. Brown
St. John's Lodge, No. 435

OVERTURE—"Euryanthe"C. M. Weber

"THE DAY WE CELEBRATE".....Brother Frederick A. Marx
Isaac Hiester Lodge No. 660, Chairman

"THE GRAND LODGE".....Brother Henry H. Barr
District Deputy Grand Master

"CREATION"Willy Richter
Festival Anthem for Male Chorus. Composed especially for the
occasion of the 200th Anniversary of Freemasonry in Pennsyl-
vania by Brother Willy Richter, Teutonia Lodge, No. 367.

ADDRESS—"Two Centuries of Masonry"
Brother Joseph Fort Newton
Mt. Hermon Lodge, No. 263, Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Past Grand Chaplain, Grand Lodge of Iowa

"LANDERKENNUNG"Edvard Grieg
For Male Chorus with Baritone Solo and Orchestra

BENEDICTION.....The Rev. Brother Lee M. Erdman, D. D.
Lodge No. 62

*Music by a Male Chorus of 200 voices and Symphony Orchestra un-
der the direction of Brother Willy Richter, Teutonia Lodge, No. 367*

MASONIC CHORUS

FIRST TENOR—Raymond R. Artz, H. M. Behm, Robert B. Bowman, Arthur M. Brenner, William C. Brenner, Edgar P. Fidler, Charles B. Fisher, John P. Fisher, Frederick Frank, Otto Goelz, Joseph Hancox, Earl F. Heinly, D. Heffelfinger, Clarence W. Hess, George C. Hix, Robert L. Hostetter, Wm. S. Hostetter, LeRoy W. Kline, Robert E. Kreiter, H. C. Kuhlman, James Lloyd, Robert P. Mohn, Guy L. Moser, Herbert J. Muntz, John H. Neff, Milton I. Peck, Jacob A. Roeder, G. W. Rothenberger, G. A. Schlechter, Herbert H. Schmidt, W. F. Schmidt, Jr., Ralph Schoener, Fred. L. Sheeler, Walter L. Sonen, Bela H. Spatz, E. J. Spatz, Ralph A. Starry, Walter S. Strause, John A. Voorhess, Jr., H. Vozella, Benjamin S. Wagner, Adolf Walter, Hubert E. Ward, Warren Weidman, Ralph F. Wheeler.

SECOND TENOR—J. Dewey Angstadt, Charles W. Benz, C. Gilbert Blakelock, Herbert Blankenbiller, Aug. M. Brown, Henry S. Brunner, Steward Buchter, Thomas J. Confer, Edwin D. Daniels, Paul H. Eberle, Paul O. Emerick, Albert L. Eshelman, Odell Espenshade, Robert B. Filbert, William B. Fisher, Charles Foreman, Charles A. Frederick, J. A. Glassmoyer, William B. Heleine, Charles Herbein, Charles S. Holt, Paul L. Homan, Robert H. Johnson, Howard A. Jones, William G. Knerr, Harry B. Lacy, Claude E. Marsh, J. Harold Maurer, William S. Meyer, W. Ray Miller, Irwin W. Nagle, William J. Noll, Paul E. Reeser, Howard E. Ribble, Howard Rittenhouse, Herbert C. Roeder, Irvin E. Roth, Charles H. Schnable, Alvin E. Schweigert, Edwin Sell, Albert G. Shultz, J. LeRoy Sloat, John B. Snyder, Harold M. Starr, William O. Stoudt, Carl H. Walley, Ralph E. Walley, John Watson, Walter S. Wells, William R. Wenger, Frank P. Werner, Carl S. Wolf, Calvin J. Young, William Zeswitz.

FIRST BASS—John F. Bartels, Edgar J. Becker, H. J. Becker, J. E. Billheimer, Fred Borchers, Hans P. Borner, R. M. Boyer, Thomas S. Brenholtz, Clarence A. Conrad, Frank S. Conrad, Paul R. Diller, Earl F. Dohner, Hermann Eisele, E. Spencer Fassnacht, William S. Geist, Donald E. Gery, Clarence M. Gilham, Ray E. Godshall, Charles S. Grove, Charles M. Haag, Otto C. Hamel, George M. Haug, John C. Hiester, Roy R. Johnson, Harry F. Kern, H. Harold Kershner, Charles F. Kiefer, Paul E. Kiefer, William W. Kiefer, S. C. Leininger, James Lloyd, Carl Maier, John L. McQuate, Jesse Mercer, Elmer D. Miller, H. E. Quereau, Edward W. Roderick, Lincoln G. Ruth, Leon H. Scheifele, Lewis B. Schock, William A. Sell, William A. Unger, John A. Swenck, Harry B. Weand, Clarence A. Weidner, Earl F. Wenger, C. A. Yeager.

SECOND BASS—Harry Althouse, Mervin H. Auge, John G. Bachofer, Edgar W. Bates, Earl Bausher, Cloyd L. Becker, Albert F. Black, Edward B. Blatt, Hans Boesch, William Borchers, Richard Borner, J. L. Brubaker, John C. Butler, George B. DeHart, Carl R. Derr, William L. Dick, Spencer T. Dunkel, Carl F. Ensslen, Harry S. Faust, Carl F. Finger, Charles W.

Fisher, Ed. F. Freehafer, Raymond K. Fryer, W. E. Griesemer, D. W. Hankins, Frank A. Hoover, Robert Huyett, Robert Ibach, Harry F. Kaufman, Harry H. Killmer, Charles D. R. Kindt, William E. Klein, Charles R. Krick, Andrew D. Kuhn, Paul R. Leininger, Walter C. Lessly, James A. Long, Ira R. Lutz, Martin L. Miller, Vincent L. Miller, Carl F. Moyer, Arthur S. Neatock, Thomas H. Price, Max Rosacker, Wilford M. Schappell, Stephen S. Sehl, Max Thus, James Wagner, George C. Weida, Warren M. Weidman, J. J. Weightman, Paul B. Wertz, Samuel H. Wertz, T. Ralph Wilson, Arnulf Woerle, Raymond M. Wolfe, Harry B. Zeller.

ORCHESTRA

R. Elmer Addis, Fred Breininger, Henry Brunner, Arthur Daniels, George DeHart, Harold Dorwin, William Drexel, Spencer Dunkel, George Fichthorn, Ray Frey, Ed. A. Gicker, Robert Guldin, Ralph Haas, William Harner, Walter Hayden, John Hepler, Charles S. Keller, Jr., Hiram Kissinger, Robert Mattern, Edward Metzger, William Meyer, Alburtis Meyers, Harry Shaner, Raymond Shenk, Donald Shenton, Harry Steckel, Harry Swinehart, Clarence Tomney, Berthold Wavrek, Sylvester Weaver, Eugene Z. Weidner, Hiram Werner, Allen R. Wertz, Charles Zimmerman.

The program was thoroughly enjoyed by an overflowing audience. The Chandler Chorus, organized many years previous to enliven social functions, formed the nucleus of the Masonic Chorus.

Brother John C. Hiester, P. M., was elected Treasurer to succeed Brother Oscar M. Huber, P. M., deceased.

During the year each meeting was followed by a brief and modest social which has been adhered to ever since. This "Good Fellowship Hour" did much to maintain interest during the long business depression then sweeping the world.

At the Stated Meeting in December, the following officers were elected: Brothers Russell F. Albright, Worshipful Master; David J. Hill, Jr., Senior Warden; Lyman H. Houck, Junior Warden; John C. Hiester, Treasurer; Earl E. Fake, Representative in the Grand Lodge; all other officers were reelected.

At the Stated Meeting of April 5, 1932, an invitation was received from the Grand Lodge of Virginia to attend the Dedication of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexan-

dria, Va., on May 12, 1932, at 12 o'clock noon. This historic event was attended by a number of the Brethren under the most unfavorable weather conditions. The Reading Company offered excursion rates of \$4.50 for the round trip.

The following officers were elected to serve this Lodge during 1933: Brothers David J. Hill, Jr., Worshipful Master; Lyman H. Houck, Senior Warden; Edwin M. Fox, Junior Warden; Russell F. Albright, Representative in the Grand Lodge; and the other officers were reelected.

At the February 7 Meeting, Brother Jacob F. Hertzog was elected a Trustee of the Relief Fund to succeed Brother John C. Hiester, resigned.

At the Stated Meeting of June 6, 1933, the dues of 29 members were ordered paid out of the Relief Fund. A committee was appointed to confer with the Masonic Temple Building Trust regarding a reduction in rent.

The following officers were elected at the December meeting to serve this Lodge during the coming year: Brothers Lyman H. Houck, Worshipful Master; Edwin M. Fox, Senior Warden; Herbert J. Muntz, Junior Warden; John C. Hiester, Treasurer; Michael S. Strebig, Secretary; Jacob H. McConnell, Frederick W. Cox, Elmer D. Miller, Trustees of General Fund; George S. Beck, Jacob F. Hertzog, Russell F. Albright, Trustees of Relief Fund; David J. Hill, Jr., Representative in the Grand Lodge.

At the Stated Meeting of October 2, 1934, Brother John M. Hedley of Lodge No. 549 was appointed Tyler in place of Brother Charles H. Kuhlman, who resigned because of ill health.

At the Annual Election on December 4, 1934, the following officers were chosen to serve during 1935: Brothers Edwin M. Fox, Worshipful Master; Herbert J. Muntz, Senior Warden; Robert B. Bowman, Junior Warden; Lyman H. Houck, Representative in the Grand Lodge; other officers were reelected.

It was ordered that the delinquent dues of 39 members be paid out of the Relief Fund. The economic depression, which was to last until World War II, was in its stride. Meetings were very brief and not well attended.

At the Stated Meeting of May 7, 1935, a communication was read inviting the members to participate in the ceremonies of Laying the Corner Stone at the Northwest Junior High School on Saturday, May 25, 1935.

The Lodge was honored by the presence of Brother William I. Wise, D. D. Grand Master, at the November meeting.

The following officers were elected to serve during the year 1936: Brothers Herbert J. Muntz, Worshipful Master; Robert B. Bowman, Senior Warden; Donald E. Metz, Junior Warden; Edwin M. Fox, Representative in the Grand Lodge; the other officers were reelected.

At the Stated Meeting of February 4, 1936, Brother William G. Brosman, District Deputy Grand Master, paid his first official visit to Chandler Lodge.

On Saturday, July 25, 1936, the cornerstone of the new Southwest Junior High School at Third and Chestnut Streets was laid by the R. W. Grand Master, assisted by the Grand Lodge Officers and Brethren of the local Lodges. The procession formed at the Masonic Temple and marched to the site of the cornerstone laying. The address was delivered by the Honorable Brother Forrest R. Shanahan, Judge of the Berks County Court, a member of Chandler Lodge, No. 227.

The Sesqui-Centennial Anniversary of the Independence of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania was celebrated in Philadelphia, September 2, 1936.

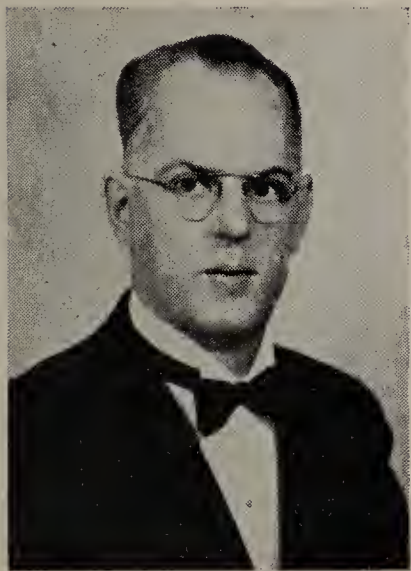
At the Stated Meeting of December 1, 1936, the following officers were elected: Brothers Robert B. Bowman, Worshipful Master; Donald E. Metz, Senior Warden; Bard E. M. Leffler, Junior Warden; Herbert J. Muntz, Representative in the Grand Lodge; the other officers were reelected.

A program was held in observance of the 150th Anniversary of the Signing of the Constitution of the United States.

The following officers were elected to serve in the coming year: Brothers Donald E. Metz, Worshipful Master; Bard E. M. Leffler,

Senior Warden; Douglass Elliott Weidner, Junior Warden; Robert B. Bowman, Representative in the Grand Lodge; the other officers were reelected.

HARRY E. GRAUL



Harry E. Graul was born on July 22, 1900, in Reading and graduated from Reading High School. He entered the employ of the Glidden Company and was promoted to the position of general superintendent in 1928, serving in that capacity until 1946. He is vice president and co-owner of Reading Motors, Inc. He was president of the Foremen's Club of Berks County in 1941 and secretary and a director of the Reading Country Club.

Brother Graul was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on September 5, 1922, and became Worshipful Master in 1928, when only 27 years of age. He was a steward in Chandler from 1931 to 1941 and is a member of the Temple Club and formerly of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

WILBUR B. LONG

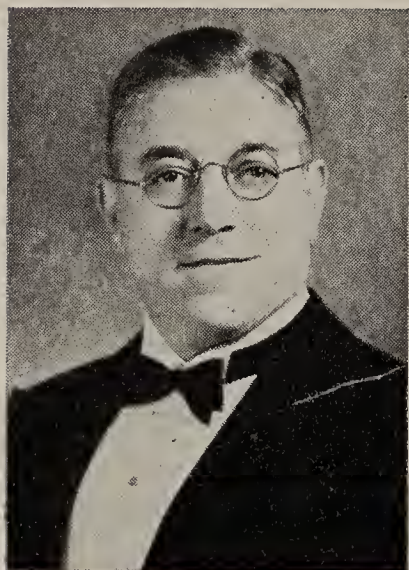


Wilbur B. Long was born in Allentown, Pa., on June 26, 1897, and was educated in Girard College, Philadelphia. He was graduated from this institution in 1915. He then came to Reading and was employed as an accountant by Swift and Company until 1921, when he became a teller for the Penn National Bank until 1927. He was then named manager of the Columbia Warehouse Co., in which capacity he served for a period of eight years, when he became an agent for the Met-

ropolitan Life Insurance Company.

He was made a Mason in Richard Vaux Lodge, No. 384, and admitted to Chandler Lodge on February 6, 1923. He served as Worshipful Master in 1929. His Masonic affiliation ceased in 1937.

JACOB F. HERTZOG



Jacob F. Hertzog was born September 30, 1899, in Exeter Township, Berks County. He is a graduate of Mt. Penn High School and of the Inter-State Commercial College. During World War I he served in the Twelfth Regiment, U. S. Cavalry. He has been postmaster of West Lawn since 1935; is vice president of the Pennsylvania Chapter, National Association of Postmasters; past president of Berks County Chapter, Postmasters; formerly served as a school director of Spring Township and is vice president of the Green Valley Country Club. He is active in the P. O. S. of A., Rotary Club and various civic organizations.

Brother Hertzog was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on February 10, 1923, and became Worshipful Master in 1930. He is a trustee of the Lodge Relief Fund. He is also a member of Reading Consistory, Scottish Rite Masons; Rajah Temple, Mystic Shriners, of which he is a Past Potentate, and Neversink Forest, Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

EARL E. FAKE

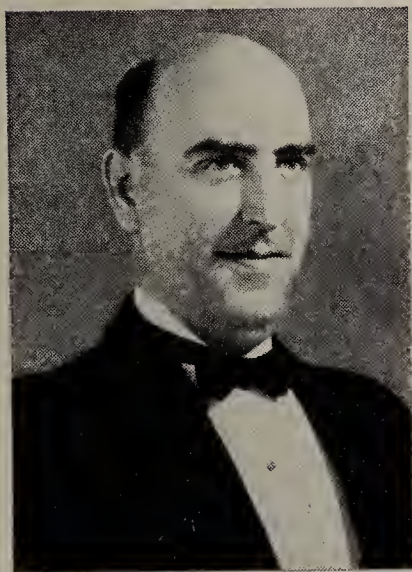


Earl E. Fake, compiler of the records in this volume, was born on March 27, 1899, near Lickdale, Lebanon County, and was graduated from the Reading High School in 1919. He resided in Reading from 1912 to 1930 and since 1930 has resided in Stony Creek Mills, R. D.

He is a graduate of Lebanon Valley College, Annville, 1923, and attended Lehigh University and took extension courses in the University of Pennsylvania and Temple University. He has been science teacher in Northeast Junior High School since 1925. He served in the Army in World War I. He is a charter member and was first president of Chandler Hunting and Fishing Lodge.

Brother Fake was made a Mason on December 18, 1920, and was Worshipful Master of Chandler in 1931. He is a member of Reading Consistory, Scottish Rites; was Thrice Potent Master of Reading Lodge of Perfection in 1944; holds membership in Reading Chapter, No. 152, R. A. M. and DeMolay Commandery No. 9, K. T.

RUSSELL F. ALBRIGHT



Russell F. Albright, 307 North Wyomissing Avenue, Shillington, was born in Reading on August 28, 1901 and was educated in the Ocean City, N. J., schools, residing there from 1905 to 1917. In the latter year he returned to Reading and in 1928 he removed to Shillington.

He is chief train dispatcher for the Reading Company, Reading Division, and served a term as councilman in Shillington Borough.

He was entered in Chandler on February 10, 1923, and became Worshipful Master of Chandler in 1932 and was formerly a member of Reading Consistory, Scottish Rite Masters, and the Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

DAVID J. HILL, JR.

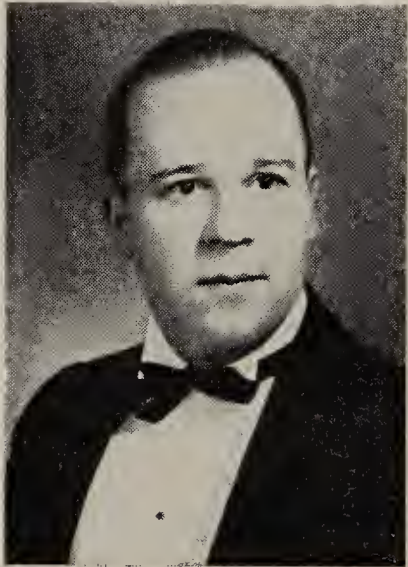


David J. Hill, Jr., was born March 9, 1904 in Reading, attended the Reading Public Schools, and graduated from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. In 1918 he was employed by the Berkshire Knitting Mills and advanced to Credit Manager in 1936. He is at present located in Johannesburg, South Africa, engaged in sales organization work. He is prominent in civic affairs, was executive director of the War Finance Committee during the war and Vice-

Commander of Reading Flotilla of U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary No. 51. He was a member of Shillington Council and is a member of Holy Cross Methodist Church.

Brother Hill was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge September 7, 1926, and was Worshipful Master in 1933. He represented Chandler on the Masonic Temple and Building Trust for many years. He is a member of Reading Consistory.

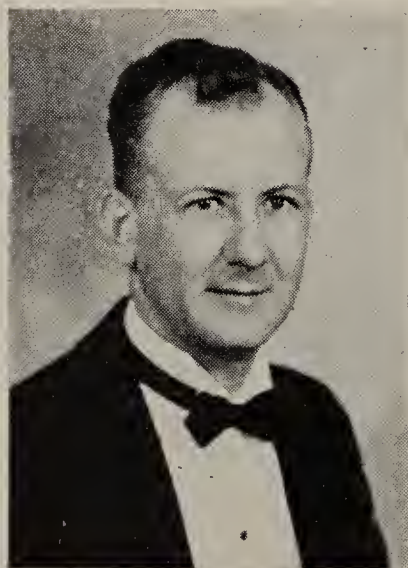
LYMAN H. HOUCK



Lyman H. Houck, 1227 Delaware Avenue, Wyomissing, was born on January 11, 1903 in Reading and was educated in the Reading Schools and the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He is an insurance underwriter and assistant cashier of the Travelers Insurance Company, with offices in the Colonial Building, Reading. Since 1936 he has resided in Wyomissing.

He was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on September 7, 1926, and served as Worshipful Master in 1934 and holds membership also in Reading Consistory, Scottish Rite Masons.

EDWIN M. FOX



Edwin M. Fox, born on July 24, 1903, in Reading, was graduated from the Reading High School in January, 1920, and holds also a diploma from the Wharton School of Accounts and Finance, University of Pennsylvania. He was a Reading Company clerk for a time and later entered the employ of the City Bank and Trust Company, of which he is now assistant secretary.

He is a member of Delta Epsilon Fraternity; is a trustee of the Temple Club since 1935; member of the Friendship Fire Company; member of the Izaak Walton League and its treasurer, in 1942 and 1943; treasurer of Chandler Hunting and Fishing Lodge since its incorporation in 1946; member of and deacon, 1929-1935, in St. Matthew's Lutheran Church; Kiwanis Club member and active in the Y. M. C. A.

Brother Fox was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge, September 7, 1926, and was Worshipful Master in 1935. He is a member of Excelsior Chapter, R. A. M.; Reading Commandery, No. 42, K. T., and Reading Consistory, Scottish Rites, serving as Consistory treasurer since 1945. He is elected to be crowned Sovereign Grand Inspector General and Honorary Member of the Supreme Council 33°.

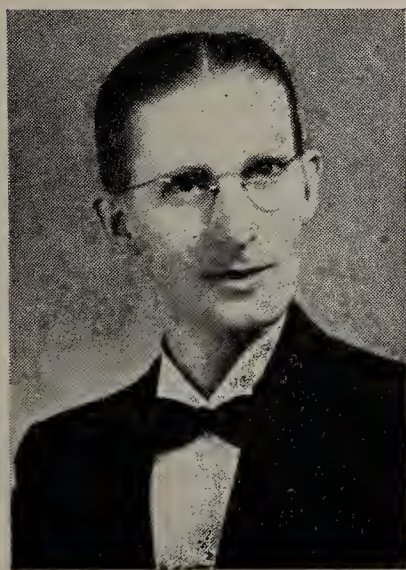
HERBERT J. MUNTZ



Herbert J. Muntz was born on January 3, 1897, in Reading, and attended the Reading public schools. He was employed as crew clerk for the Reading Company in its Reading offices; later as stenographer to the trainmaster and is now yardmaster. He resides in Pennside and is a member of the Mt. Penn Fire Company.

Brother Muntz was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on November 2, 1920, and was Worshipful Master in 1936. He is a member of Reading Consistory, Scottish Rites Masons; Rajah Temple, Mystic Shriners, and formerly of the Arab Patrol, Rajah Temple.

ROBERT B. BOWMAN



Robert B. Bowman, residing at 139 Oley Street, Reading, was born in Reading on September 25, 1906 and educated in the Reading public schools and in the Extension School of Mechanical Engineering, Pennsylvania State College. He is a Power Plant Engineer for the Reading Company and a member of Grace Evangelical Church.

Brother Bowman was made a Mason on December 5, 1929, and served as Worshipful Master of Chandler in 1937. He is affiliated also with Reading Consistory, Scottish Rite Masons.

CHAPTER X

1938-1948

Emerging from the stress and difficulties of the world-wide depression that began in 1929 and lasted until the Second World War began in Europe, Chandler Lodge began the tenth decade of its hundred-year history amid the new problems, national and world-wide, developing as the new war gained headway. In three years, in December of 1941, America itself was drawn directly into the world conflict. Many members of Chandler Lodge and their sons and daughters were engaged either in various war services or in industrial or other phases of the war effort, and helped the Masonic order to fulfill its share in the nation's struggle for victory.

The Second World War, incidentally, was preceded in some countries by the suppression of the Masonic Order, and interference with or suspension of Masonic activities continued in some of the totalitarian countries during the war. The end of the conflict brought a revival of interest in Masonic affairs and service in such countries.

In America at large, and in Reading and its Masonic District generally, the war increased the tempo of Masonic activities along all lines helpful to the war effort and national defense. As was the case with most lodges, Chandler Lodge increased its operations and the number of its meetings throughout the last half of the tenth decade.

The year 1938 had little of historical interest.

At the Stated Meeting of December 6, 1938, the following officers were elected: Brothers Bard E. M. Leffler, Worshipful Master; Douglass E. Weidner, Senior Warden; Carl A. Focht, Junior Warden; Donald E. Metz, Representative in the Grand Lodge; the other officers were reelected.

On Saturday, May 13, 1939, the officers of the Grand Lodge laid the cornerstone for the new Reading Post Office.

A Special Meeting was held August 25, 1939, to honor the memory of our late Brother William F. Shanaman, who died August 2, 1939.

Chandler Lodge was honored by the presence of Brother George D. Sell, of Lodge No. 561, District Deputy Grand Master of the 10th District, on September 5, 1939.

The attendance during the year was exceptionally good, and the Brethren attending were rewarded with interesting lectures, motion pictures or musical programs.

At the Stated Meeting of December 5, 1939, the following were elected to office: Brothers Douglass E. Weidner, Worshipful Master; Carl A. Focht, Senior Warden; Leon A. Bowman, Junior Warden; Bard E. M. Leffler, Representative in the Grand Lodge; the other officers were reelected.

At the Stated Meeting March 5, 1940, the Worshipful Master announced the appointment of a committee consisting of Brothers Earl E. Fake and Michael S. Strebis to begin the preparation of a History of Chandler Lodge, No. 227, for the 100th Anniversary.

Brother James C. Eyler, who served as Steward for the past 25 years, and Brother Harry E. Gaul, who served in a similar capacity for the past 10 years, asked to be relieved from further duty. In recognition of their long and faithful service to the Lodge, and as a token of their high esteem for these Brethren, the officers presented them with useful gifts.

A communication from Grand Lodge was read, calling attention to the fact that Masters and Wardens must wear their Jewels and Aprons and Past Masters must wear their Jewels at the Communications of the Grand Lodge.

Brother William G. Brosman, District Deputy Grand Master, honored Chandler Lodge with his presence and made the first presentation of the Life Membership Emblems on October 1, 1940. The recipients of that honor were Brothers Eli V. R. Ludwig, Horace Grandner, P. M., John L. Day and Lewis P. Muthart. They were members of the Fraternity for 50 years.

The following officers were elected at the December meeting: Brothers Carl A. Focht, Worshipful Master; Leon A. Bowman, Senior Warden; Harry W. Hart, Junior Warden; Douglass E. Weidner, Representative in the Grand Lodge; all the other officers were reelected.

At the Stated Meeting of May 6, 1941, a request was received from the R. W. Grand Master, "that the Secretary obtain complete information as to all members or their sons who are in the Armed Forces of the United States." At a subsequent meeting an appeal was made for "donations to aid in Welfare Service among our Brethren or their Sons who are in the Armed Forces of the United States."

The officers elected during the year 1942 were as follows: Brothers Leon A. Bowman, Worshipful Master; Harry W. Hart, Senior Warden; Harry W. Moyer, Junior Warden; Carl A. Focht, Representative in the Grand Lodge; the other officers were re-elected.

At the Stated Meeting of March 3, 1942, the members were instructed as to the proper procedure in the event of an Air Raid Alarm in compliance with the regulations prescribed by the Civilian Defense Authorities.

The Lodge acted favorably upon a motion to remit the dues of all members in the Armed Forces.

At the April meeting the members were urged to contribute to the Masonic Military and Naval Service Committee, and to attend Divine Services on Sunday, May 31, 1942.

The following officers were elected in December: Brothers Harry W. Hart, Worshipful Master; Harry W. Moyer, Senior Warden; Harold G. Painter, Junior Warden; Leon A. Bowman, Representative in Grand Lodge; all the other officers were reelected.

At the Stated Meeting of March 2, 1943, Brother Edwin M. Fox was elected Trustee of the General Fund to succeed Brother Frederick W. Cox, deceased.

The election of officers on December 7, 1943, resulted as follows: Brothers Harry W. Moyer, Worshipful Master; Harold G. Painter, Senior Warden; Edward L. Kepner, Junior Warden; Harry W. Hart, Representative in the Grand Lodge; all the other officers were reelected.

At the July meeting the Lodge was informed by the Masonic Temple and Building Trust that the rental was increased from \$1.65 to \$1.85 per member per year.

Extra meetings were held during the summer months because of the national emergency. A number of candidates received the three degrees on the same day by dispensation while home from the War on furlough.

At the Stated Meeting of December 5, 1944, the following officers were elected to serve during 1945: Brothers Harold G. Painter, Worshipful Master; Edward L. Kepner, Senior Warden; Stanley W. Loose, Junior Warden; Harry W. Moyer, Representative in the Grand Lodge; other officers were reelected.

At the February meeting, the ceremony of the presentation of the flag was performed for the first time in the Lodge.

At the Stated Meeting on May 1, 1945, the Worshipful Master announced the appointment of Brother John H. Herbine as Pursuivant to succeed Brother Clarence E. Cook, deceased. Brother Cook served the Lodge faithfully for many years as Pursuivant and Chaplain and was highly esteemed by his Brethren.

MEMBERS OF CHANDLER LODGE NO. 227 WHO SERVED IN WORLD WAR II.

Baer, Robert L., Jr.	Army	Ludwig, David Richard	Navy
Brecker, Joseph H.	Army	Miller, Vincent N.	Army
Breneiser, George G.	Army	Miller, Warren R.	Army
Drake, Carroll O.	Army	Postetter, David E., Jr.	Navy
Dresher, Jesse N.	Army	Reiniger, George L., Jr.	Army
Epstein, Daniel	Army	Schultz, William B.	Army
Eshbach, William M.	Navy	Seidel, Francis F.	Army
Fake, Paul A.	Navy	Sell, Edwin H.	Navy
Frantz, Harry M.	Army	Simmons, Daniel H.	Army
Gehris, Paul W. E.	Navy	Snyder, Frederick R.	Army
Gernert, George S.	Navy	Snyder, John H.	Army
Glase, John D.	Navy	Snyder, Luke M.	Army
Good, Paul D.	Navy	Sproesser, George	Army
Goodhart, George G.	Army	Stoudt, George K.	Army
Heist, Russell L.	Army	Stuebner, Robert L.	Army
Houck, E. Karl	Navy	Uhler, Eugene E.	Navy
Kephart, S. Bruce	Army	Weidner, Frederick P.	Army
Landis, Harold O.	Navy	Zohn, John M.	Army
Leshner, Alfred C.	Army		

In 1945 it became customary to observe the flag ceremony at each meeting.

In the Stated Meeting of September 5, 1945, a notice was read from the Grand Secretary, stating that in deference to the request of the War Mobilization Director the Quarterly Communication of the Grand Lodge would not be held. This was due to the scarcity of gasoline for use in passenger automobiles of Representatives traveling to the Grand Lodge.

At that time the Masonic Military and Naval Service Committee reported contributions of \$981.75, which were sent to the Grand Secretary. There were 27 members and 99 sons of members of Chandler in the Armed Forces.

On November 6, 1945, it was on motion, "Resolved, that the dues of the members who are in the Armed Forces be remitted for the duration of the war and for six months thereafter."

On December 4, 1945, the following officers were elected: Edward L. Kepner, Worshipful Master; Stanley W. Loose, Senior Warden; John D. Glase, Junior Warden; John C. Hiester, Treasurer; Michael S. Strebig, Secretary; Jacob H. McConnell, Elmer D. Miller and Edwin M. Fox, Trustees; George S. Beck, Jacob F. Hertzog and Russell F. Albright, Relief Fund; Harold G. Painter, Representative in Grand Lodge.

On February 5, 1946, it was "Resolved, That silver Masonic medals, suitably inscribed, be purchased and presented to the members of the Lodge who were, or are, in the Armed Forces in World War II."

On December 3, 1946, the following officers were elected: Stanley W. Loose, Worshipful Master; John D. Glase, Senior Warden; Harry D. Korb, Junior Warden; Edward L. Kepner, Representative in Grand Lodge. All other officers were reelected.

On January 7, 1947, it was "Resolved, That Brother James C. Eyler be elected to represent the Lodge at meetings of the Masonic Temple and Building Trust."

On April 1, 1947, an Amendment to the By-Laws was presented, changing the dues from \$8 to \$11 and \$5 to \$8. The amendment was unanimously adopted at the next Stated Meeting.

On November 4, 1947, it was, on motion, "Resolved, That the 100th Anniversary Committee are authorized to make contracts and to spend such Lodge funds as may be necessary to provide for

printing a Lodge history, and other matters connected with the 100th Anniversary."

On December 2, 1947, the following officers were elected: John D. Glase, Worshipful Master; Harry D. Korb, Senior Warden; Frederick J. Marks, Junior Warden; Stanley W. Loose, Representative in Grand Lodge. All other officers were reelected.

DONALD E. METZ



Donald E. Metz was born in Reading on March 30, 1907 and is a graduate of the Reading High School; Albright College, B.A. and Temple University, M.Ed. He also took graduate work in Duke University. He is a teacher in Northwest Junior High School and resides in Reiffton.

Brother Metz was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on June 6, 1931, and became Worshipful Master in 1938. He was steward for a number of years, holds membership in the Tall Cedars of Lebanon, and is a member of the Reading Teachers' Association. He was formerly a building representative.

BARD E. M. LEFFLER



Bard E. M. Leffler was born in Reading on January 26, 1908. He is a graduate of Ephrata High School, and of Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. He is a charter member of the Reading Chapter of Phi Beta Alpha Fraternity, and a member of the Lions Club. He is an underwriter in the Harleysville Mutual Casualty Co. and previously was employed by the Travelers Insurance Co. and the Pennsylvania Casualty Co.

Brother Leffler was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on April 2, 1929, and served as Worshipful Master in 1939. During his tenure he arranged programs to create interest and boost attendance at a period when interest generally was lacking.

DOUGLASS ELLIOTT WEIDNER



Douglass Elliott Weidner was born in Reading, Pa. on June 29, 1905. He was educated in the local public schools and is a graduate of the Reading High School and Gettysburg College. He also attended the University of Brussels in Belgium and Temple University. He is an educator in the Reading public schools, and was named principal of Southern Junior High School in 1948. While at Gettysburg he held his first teaching position as instructor of Chemistry. He is the author of a science workbook and an honorary member of the Eugene Field Society of Poets and Authors.

Brother Weidner was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on May 3, 1927, and served as Worshipful Master in 1940. He was a Vice Principal of Reading School of Instruction for a number of years. He is a member of Reading Consistory, and served as Sovereign Prince of C. Gilbert Steffe Council, Princes of Jerusalem, in 1940, and is at the present time Senior Warden in Reading Lodge of Perfection. He is also affiliated with the Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

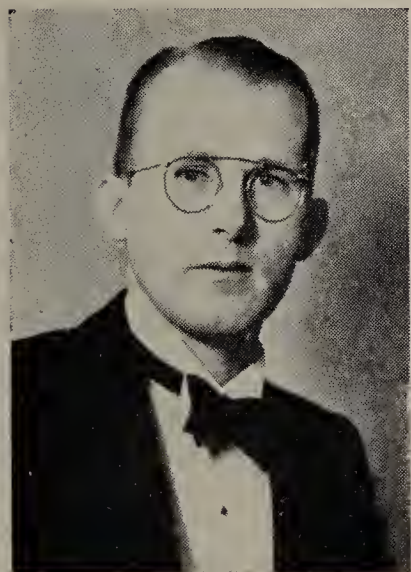
CARL A. FOCHT



Carl A. Focht was born in Berks County on March 20, 1903. He is a Graduate of the Reading High School and Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, and was a member of the Pi Delta Epsilon Fraternity connected with the Wharton School. He has been employed in various capacities by several insurance companies all his life. He is interested in the Boy Scout movement and served as Cubmaster of a Cub Scout Pack. In St. James Evangelical and Reformed Church of West Reading he has been a teacher, assistant superintendent and superintendent of the Sunday School.

Brother Focht was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on June 28, 1927, and served as Worshipful Master in 1941. He was a Vice Principal of the Reading School of Instruction from 1941 to 1944 and Most Wise Master of Francis Marion Highley Chapter of Rose Croix in 1943. He is an active member of Reading Consistory.

LEON A. BOWMAN



Leon A. Bowman was born in Reading on November 2, 1909. He attended the Reading Public Schools and Boys' High School. An electrician by trade, he is employed by the Reading Company. He is a member of Grace Evangelical Congregational Church.

Brother Bowman was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on February 2, 1932, and served as Worshipful Master in 1942, at a time when the fraternity was feeling the effects of the war and it was his duty to provide interesting meetings without the aid of work.

HARRY W. HART



Harry W. Hart was born in Lower Heidelberg Township, Berks County, on January 4, 1889. He attended the public schools in Krumsville and Reading. A boilermaker by trade, he is employed by the Reading Company. He is a resident of Laureldale, a member of the Borough Council since 1940, and active in civic affairs. He is a charter member of the Chandler Hunting and Fishing Club.

Brother Hart was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on May 28, 1929, and served as Worshipful Master in 1943. He is a member of the Tall Cedars of Lebanon, and Reading Consistory, in which he takes an active part.

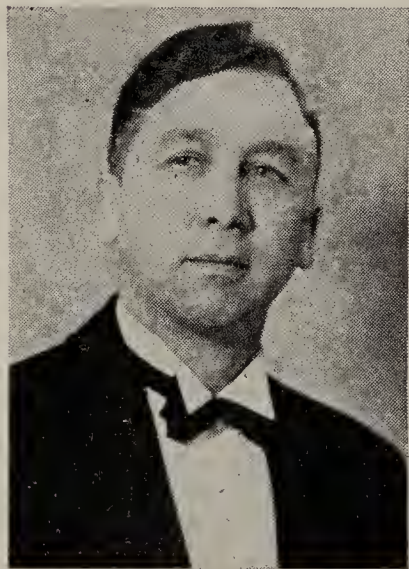
HARRY W. MOYER



Harry W. Moyer was born in Reading on December 6, 1892, and attended the local public schools. During World War I he answered his country's call and served in the Medical Corps of the United States Army. He has been employed by the Metropolitan Edison Company for many years. He is a very active member of St. James Evangelical and Reformed Church, West Reading, where he resides.

Brother Moyer was made a Mason in Humboldt Lodge, No. 476, Columbus, Ohio, admitted to Chandler Lodge on October 5, 1920, and served as Worshipful Master in 1944. He was an instructor in the Reading School of Instruction and is a member of Reading Consistory.

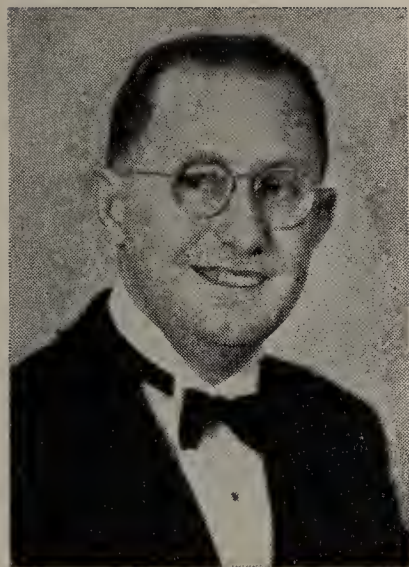
HAROLD G. PAINTER



Harold G. Painter was born at Lewisburg, Pa., on November 17, 1901, and was graduated from Lewisburg High School. He attended Bucknell University, and took Electrical Engineering courses in Pennsylvania State College Extension School. He is employed by the Metropolitan Edison Company as a Safety Engineer. During World War II he was a Special Safety Agent for the U. S. Department of Labor. Brother Painter is a charter member and Past President of Chandler Hunting and Fishing Club and most of its development and success is due to his efforts.

Brother Painter was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on October 26, 1926, and served as Worshipful Master in 1945. Since 1945 he has been a Vice Principal in the Reading School of Instruction and gives much of his time to degree work in Chandler. He is an active member of Reading Consistory and an officer in Reading Lodge of Perfection.

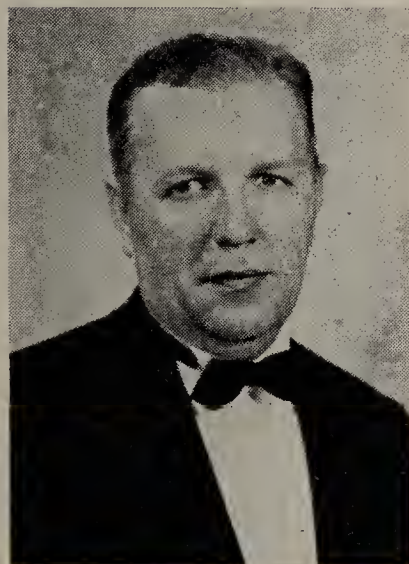
EDWARD L. KEPNER



Edward L. Kepner was born April 29, 1894, in Reading and educated in the local schools. During World War I he served as a sergeant in the 79th Division. He is employed as Division Dispatcher by the Metropolitan Edison Company.

Brother Kepner was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on May 5, 1936, and served as Worshipful Master in 1946. He was a Vice Principal in Reading School of Instruction, and is a member of Reading Consistory, Nev-ersink Forest, No. 32, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, and Rajah Temple.

STANLEY W. LOOSE

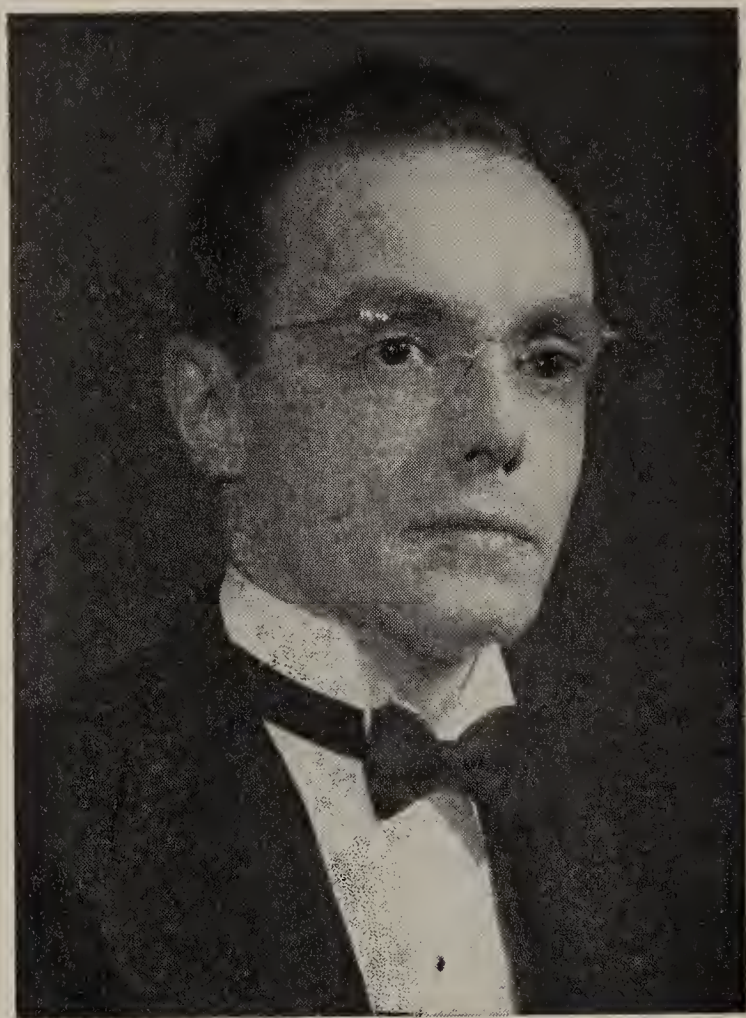


Stanley W. Loose was born in Reading, January 3, 1907. He was graduated from Reading High School in February, 1924, and the University of Pennsylvania Extension School in 1928. He is a member of the Pi Delta Epsilon Fraternity.

He was employed by the Penn Hardware Company as timekeeper and bookkeeper and in 1930 entered the employ of the Glidden Company, where he was advanced from bookkeeper and cost accountant to auditor and office manager. He is a member of First Reformed Church.

Brother Loose was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on February 2, 1943, and was Worshipful Master in 1947. He is now Representative of Grand Lodge. He also holds membership in Reading Consistory, Rajah Temple, Mystic Shrine; the Shrine Arab Patrol and the Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

JOHN DRASE GLASE



John Drase Glase was born on June 4, 1913, in Reading. He was graduated from Reading High School in 1930, and from Williams College, Williamstown, Mass., Bachelor of Arts degree, 1934. While in college, played saxophone and clarinet in various dance orchestras. Graduated from Dickinson School of Law, Carlisle, Pa., with Bachelor of Laws degree. While in law school, he was business manager of Dickinson Law Review and a member of the Woolsack Honorary Legal Scholastic Society.

He was admitted to practice of law before the Pennsylvania Supreme and Superior Courts, Federal Courts and Berks County Courts in January 1938. He is associated with the Law Firm of Stevens and Lee, 18 South Fifth Street, Reading.

He was commissioned as a Lieutenant (Jr. grade), United States Naval Reserve, in April, 1942; was called to active duty on June 15, 1942, and served continuously on active duty until December 1, 1945, 21 months of which duty was outside continental limits of United States. He was released to inactive duty with the rank of Lieutenant Commander, United States Naval Reserve.

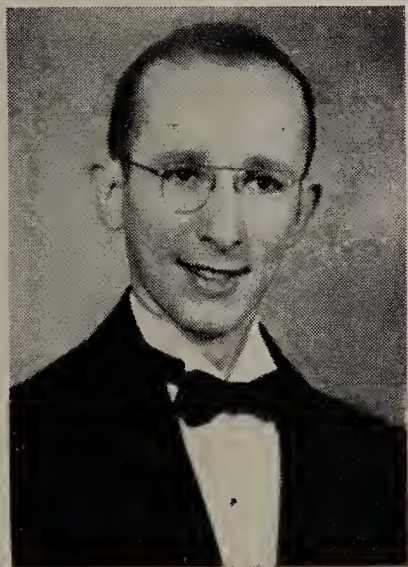
He married Elisabeth Johnson on January 23, 1945. He is a member of St. Andrew's Evangelical and Reformed Church, Reading. He is also a member of Reading Consistory.

Brother Glase was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge February 1, 1938, and is now serving as Worshipful Master.

He exemplified the First and Second degrees, letter perfect, before the Temple School of Instruction, but serious illness prevented

him for duplicating the same in the Third degree. On March 5, 1946, he exemplified a letter perfect First degree before the Right Worshipful Grand Master in Grand Lodge, Philadelphia.

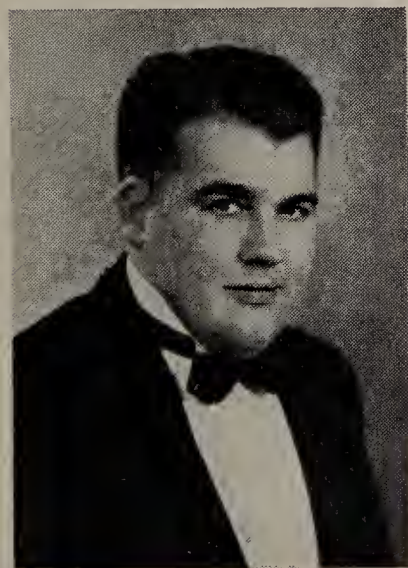
HARRY D. KORB, S. W.



Harry Donald Korb was born in Reading on June 10, 1914, and moved to Shillington in 1922, where he has resided ever since. He was graduated from Shillington High School in 1933 with many honors, and served as staff artist for the school publication. He is a member of the National Honor Society. At the completion of his school career, he was employed by the American Stores Co. as Shocard writer and clerk. He is interested in Boy Scout work and is a member of Grace Lutheran Church, Shillington.

Brother Korb was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge, No. 227, on October 5, 1943, and is serving as Senior Warden at present. He is also a member of Reading Consistory and the Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

FREDERICK J. MARKS, J. W.



Frederick Joseph Marks was born October 6, 1919, in Wyomissing Hills. He attended the public schools of that place and was graduated from Wyomissing High School. He attended Kutztown State Teachers College and Pennsylvania State College, graduating from the latter in 1941. He is a member of the Alpha Sigma Phi Fraternity of Penn State. He is Vice President and Treasurer of the Wyomissing Hills Recreation Board.

Brother Marks was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on March 30, 1944, and at present is serving as Junior Warden. He is a member of Reading Consistory and the Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Neversink Forest.

PAST MASTERS

(1848-1948)

1	1848	John O. D. Lilly
	1849	John O. D. Lilly
2	1850	David E. Stout
3	1851	Sydenham E. Ancona
4	1852	Daniel H. Feger
5	1853	Samuel McDonnell
6	1854	William H. Strickland
7	1855	A. Jordan Swartz
8	1856	Harry D. Lowe
9	1857	James Millholland
10	1858	William W. Diehl
11	1859	Joseph A. McLean
12	1860	George W. Durell
13	1861	Emanuel J. Rauch
14	1862	James Mulligan
15	1863	Franklin Till
	1864	Emanuel J. Rauch
16	1865	Henry A. Tyson
	1866	Henry A. Tyson
17	1867	John C. A. Hoffeditz
18	1868	Charles A. Saylor
19	1869	John B. Maxton
20	1870	George W. Grant
	1871	George W. Grant
21	1872	William A. Sands
22	1873	George W. Phelps
23	1874	William S. Ritter
24	1875	Charles S. Bickley
25	1876	George C. Wilson
26	1877	William G. Rowe
27	1878	W. Jesse Orr
28	1879	Henry R. Laucks
29	1880	Samuel F. Guss
30	1881	Isaac E. Robinson
31	1882	A. Harvey Tyson

32	1883	John E. Goodman
	1884	Henry R. Laucks
33	1885	Abraham Seivard
34	1886	Joseph W. Day
35	1887	Benjamin W. Grist
	1888	Benjamin W. Grist
36	1889	Isaac Lawrence
	1890	Isaac Lawrence
37	1891	William F. Shanaman
38	1892	Samuel E. Nies
39	1893	Howard E. Ahrens
	1894	Samuel E. Nies
40	1895	Daniel M. Freehafer
41	1896	Gideon B. Kostenbader
42	1897	Horace Grander
43	1898	Jonathan R. Sharman
44	1899	Walter S. Essick
45	1900	Allen G. Quimby
46	1901	Irvin U. Kershner
47	1902	Lee C. Bricker
48	1903	James S. Ahrens
49	1904	Chester B. Jennings
50	1905	Fred M. Machmer
51	1906	Frank R. Fichthorn
52	1907	Harry J. G. Schad
53	1908	William W. B. Stamm
54	1909	William H. Kehl
55	1910	Joseph H. Hasbrouck
56	1911	Jacob H. McConnell
57	1912	Walter S. Ludwig
58	1913	Harry F. Shindel
59	1914	David R. Wise
60	1915	William K. Bridegam
61	1916	Michael S. Strebis
62	1917	Edward D. Angstadt
63	1918	Mathias D. Deck
64	1919	John C. Hiester
65	1920	Elmer D. Miller
66	1921	Ray E. Godshall

67	1922	Frederick W. Cox, Jr.
68	1923	G. Edgar Phillips
69	1924	Oscar M. Huber
70	1925	I. Carroll Regar
71	1926	George T. Cobb
72	1927	Walter S. Strause
73	1928	Harry E. Graul
74	1929	Wilbur B. Long
75	1930	Jacob F. Hertzog
76	1931	Earl E. Fake
77	1932	Russell F. Albright
78	1933	David J. Hill, Jr.
79	1934	Lyman H. Houck
80	1935	Edwin M. Fox
81	1936	Herbert J. Muntz
82	1937	Robert B. Bowman
83	1938	Donald E. Metz
84	1939	Bard E. M. Leffler
85	1940	Douglass Elliott Weidner
86	1941	Carl A. Focht
87	1942	Leon A. Bowman
88	1943	Harry W. Hart
89	1944	Harry W. Moyer
90	1945	Harold G. Painter
91	1946	Edward L. Kepner
92	1947	Stanley W. Loose

SECRETARIES

1.	David E. Stout	1848
2.	William H. Strickland	1849
3.	Henry Crowther	1850 & 1852
4.	A. Jordan Swartz	1851 & 1856
5.	David L. Griffith	1853
6.	William A. Wells	1854 & 1855
7.	Theodore A. Lambert	1857
8.	Henry A. Lantz	1858
9.	Thomas M. Richards	1859—1862
10.	Charles L. Fritz	1863—1865
11.	Jerome L. Boyer	1866
12.	Henry A. Tyson	1867—1895
13.	Samuel E. Nies	1896—1913
14.	Walter A. Tyson	1914—1917
15.	Michael S. Strebiger	1918—19.....

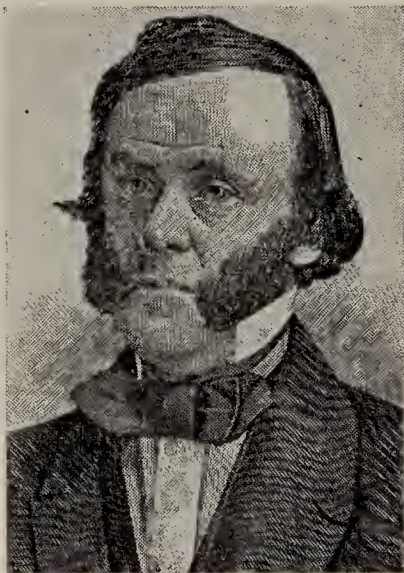
TREASURERS

1.	Robert Caldwell	1848—1851
2.	William McFarlan	1852—1859
3.	Joseph A. McLean	1860—1861
4.	George W. Miller	1862
5.	William G. VonNeida	1863—1875
6.	William S. Ritter	1876 & 1877
7.	William G. Rowe	1878—1895
8.	George C. Wilson, Sr.	1896—1899
9.	Jonathan R. Sharman	1900—1905
10.	Fred M. Machmer	1906—1912
11.	George F. Eisenbrown	1913
12.	Joseph H. Hasbrouck	1914—1929
13.	Oscar M. Huber	1930
14.	John C. Hiester	1931—19.....

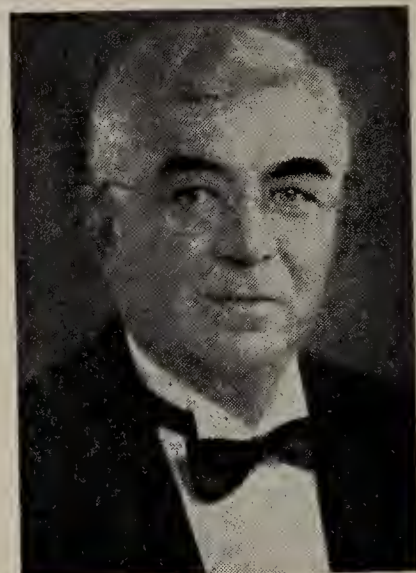
DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

Seventh Masonic District

1848—1948



JOSEPH L. STICHTER
1848



WILLIAM G. BROSMAN
1948

		Lodge No.
1848—1853	Joseph L. Stichter	62
1854—1857	David E. Stout	227
1858—1860	Jordan Swartz	227
1861—1862	Sydenham E. Ancona	227
1863—1871	Joseph L. Stichter	62
1872—1877	Sydenham E. Ancona	227
1878—1884	Edwin H. Shearer	435
1885—1895	Henry A. Tyson	227
1896—1897	J. Lewis Rake	549
1898—1903	Joseph W. Day	227
1904—1912	Adam J. Schmehl	435
1913—1918	Jenkin Hill	435
1919—1921	John M. Frame	660
1922—1932	Henry H. Barr	62
1933—1934	William I. Wise	549
1935—19.....	William G. Brosman	660

ROLL OF MEMBERS

1848—1948

ABBREVIATIONS

D—Died E—Expelled R—Resigned S—Suspended

A

Aug. 3, 1943	Achenbach, Rudolph H.	
Feb. 10, 1923	Adam, Aaron S.	D 1937
June 7, 1904	Adam, Michael S.	D 1905
Mar. 7, 1916	Adam, Robert M.	S 1936
June 6, 1911	Adams, Howard L.	S 1936
Oct. 1, 1895	Adams, John H.	
Mar. 4, 1924	Adams, J. Gorman	
Jan. 4, 1921	Adams, Roy R.	
Mar. 1, 1859	Addis, Mattenly	S 1861
May 1, 1906	Ahrens, Benneville K.	S 1936
May 4, 1948	Ahrens, Harold A.	
Dec. 1, 1868	Ahrens, Henry	D 1913
Aug. 5, 1884	Ahrens, Howard E.	D 1918
Apr. 5, 1898	Ahrens, James S.	D 1910
Apr. 4, 1905	Ahrens, William B.	D 1941
Nov. 4, 1924	Airhart, N. Lewis	
Aug. 2, 1881	Albright, Ammon	D 1931
Feb. 10, 1923	Albright, Russell F.	
Oct. 3, 1854	Alexander, George W.	D 1903
Dec. 16, 1916	Alexander, Robert M.	
Apr. 1, 1850	Allison, William	R 1856
Mar. 4, 1884	Altenderfer, Henry A.	D 1922
Oct. 4, 1898	Althouse, Harry L.	
Oct. 1, 1895	Althouse, Jay B.	D 1902
June 7, 1927	Ammarell, Luther H.	
Dec. 4, 1919	Ammarell, John S.	S 1933
Sept. 6, 1910	Ammarell, Raymond R.	
Sept. 7, 1909	Ammarell, Winfield H.	D 1939
Feb. 25, 1919	Ancel, Arthur A.	S 1936
June 5, 1900	Ancona, Daniel F.	
Dec. 29, 1945	Ancona, Daniel F., Jr.	
May 4, 1848	Ancona, Sydenham E.	D 1913
July 16, 1867	Anderson, David B.	D 1870
July 17, 1866	Anderson, Frederick H.	S 1896
Oct. 6, 1925	Anderson, John H.	S 1936
Sept. 7, 1880	Anderson, Oliver	R 1891
Dec. 11, 1909	Angstadt, Edward D.	D 1947

Sept. 29, 1920	Angstadt, Howard D.	
Nov. 5, 1883	Angstadt, John	D 1906
June 1, 1880	Angstadt, Wilson B.	D 1935
Nov. 6, 1923	Applebee, William F.	D 1926
Nov. 3, 1885	Armour, Charles H.	R 1888
Jan. 6, 1925	Armpriester, Harry G.	S 1936
Jan. 3, 1933	Armstrong, John C.	
Dec. 5, 1922	Arnold, Earl H.	
Mar. 6, 1917	Arnold, Robert F.	
Sept. 30, 1946	Arnot, H. James	
Dec. 3, 1849	Arthur, John E.	D 1900
Sept. 17, 1915	Auchenbach, Floyd E.	S 1933
Oct. 1, 1872	Auman, James	D 1925
Mar. 2, 1897	Auman, Theodore C.	D 1933
Oct. 3, 1916	Auman, William S.	
May 3, 1910	Austin, Harry McCoy	D 1944
Jan. 15, 1921	Austin, Stuart B.	

B

Dec. 21, 1869	Babb, David D.	D 1909
Feb. 6, 1866	Babb, Joel K.	D 1890
June 19, 1866	Babb, John H.	S 1882
Feb. 2, 1932	Bach, John L. M.	
May 3, 1853	Bachelor, John B.	R 1854
Mar. 5, 1910	Bachman, Robert L.	
Sept. 29, 1920	Baeighkley, Robert R.	
June 4, 1940	Baer, Robert L.	
Feb. 2, 1943	Baer, Robert L., Jr.	
Jan. 29, 1946	Bagenstose, George E.	
May 3, 1921	Bailey, Arthur G.	
June 3, 1913	Baisch, Charles H.	S 1941
May 1, 1923	Baisch, William L.	
Apr. 1, 1919	Baisch, William P.	
Nov. 3, 1921	Baker, Ralph E.	
Mar. 4, 1850	Ball, John P.	S 1856
July 13, 1848	Ball, Philip R.	R 1852
Oct. 30, 1919	Balthaser, Nathan S.	
Apr. 3, 1928	Bannan, William H.	
Dec. 7, 1875	Barbey, John	D 1939
Jan. 6, 1948	Barbis, Peter	
Nov. 5, 1867	Barkdoll, George W.	D 1885
Apr. 18, 1871	Barlet, Tobias	R 1904
July 2, 1850	Barndollar, Edward D.	S 1852
Dec. 27, 1848	Barnett, Isaac	R 1857
Nov. 7, 1916	Barr, Jere Hess	
Oct. 6, 1914	Barto, Paul L.	

Apr. 20, 1867	Bast, Alfred L.	D 1881
Mar. 4, 1924	Bates, W. Edgar	S 1936
Sept. 17, 1867	Bauer, Francis	D 1913
Jan. 3, 1882	Baum, Adam, Jr.	S 1926
Dec. 6, 1921	Baum, Charles S.	
May 16, 1916	Baum, Daniel B.	D 1931
May 18, 1918	Bauman, John B.	D 1934
Apr. 4, 1916	Baumener, Harry A.	
Mar. 6, 1917	Baureithel, William H.	
Apr. 15, 1910	Bauscher, Abner H.	
Jan. 4, 1921	Bausher, Earl F.	
Feb. 23, 1926	Bausher, Paul	
May 18, 1918	Beachler, Robert B.	D 1922
Sept. 12, 1866	Bear, Edwin S.	S 1889
Apr. 17, 1866	Bear, William S.	S 1896
July 6, 1885	Beard, George W.	D 1905
May 2, 1922	Beard, Harry E.	D 1939
Dec. 14, 1866	Beatencup, Henry A.	D 1900
June 30, 1868	Beaver, G. Benton	D 1895
Nov. 3, 1908	Bechtel, Cleon C.	D 1942
June 7, 1921	Bechtel, H. Donald	
June 4, 1907	Beck, George S.	
Oct. 3, 1922	Becker, Edgar J.	D 1941
Sept. 6, 1921	Becker, Jesse H.	
Feb. 7, 1888	Becker, Joseph S.	D 1919
Oct. 10, 1862	Becker, John Joseph	D 1866
Dec. 12, 1925	Becker, Oscar A.	
Oct. 7, 1919	Becker, Paul F.	
Oct. 5, 1875	Becker, William H.	S 1886
Nov. 2, 1920	Behm, George H.	
June 1, 1909	Behm, Harry M.	
Mar. 1, 1910	Beidler, John T.	D 1926
Dec. 11, 1920	Bell, Harry C.	S 1941
Nov. 5, 1912	Bell, Howard W.	D 1916
Feb. 4, 1862	Benson, Philip	S 1899
May 15, 1909	Berger, Rudolph G.	D 1947
June 8, 1848	Bergner, Herman W.	R 1854
Mar. 5, 1861	Bernhart, Franklin S.	D 1893
Jan. 1, 1901	Bernhart, Samuel P.	D 1907
Oct. 22, 1929	Berry, Warren H.	S 1940
Jan. 2, 1855	Bertolette, Isaac	D 1882
Dec. 14, 1848	Bertolette, John	R 1851
Apr. 3, 1866	Bertolette, Jonathan C.	D 1868
Aug. 15, 1849	Bertolette, Maybury A.	S 1859
Oct. 3, 1905	Besom, Thomas G.	
Mar. 4, 1913	Besore, Augustus Y.	D 1920

Mar.	5, 1929	Betz, Richard P.	
Oct.	6, 1925	Bibbus, Walter S.	
Feb.	7, 1854	Bickel, Anthony	S 1867
Oct.	7, 1890	Bickel, Irwin S.	D 1931
Feb.	17, 1874	Bickel, William R.	D 1911
June	4, 1940	Bicking, Robert A.	
Mar.	5, 1867	Bickley, Charles S.	D 1893
Apr.	7, 1925	Bigony, Samuel R.	
Feb.	2, 1904	Bingaman, Charles H.	D 1922
Dec.	2, 1884	Bird, John	D 1930
May	5, 1886	Bitting, William H.	D 1926
Feb.	25, 1919	Bixler, Earl M.	
Nov.	2, 1926	Black, Albert F.	
Mar.	16, 1867	Bland, Lewis R.	R 1888
Feb.	23, 1926	Blatt, Edward B.	
Nov.	29, 1945	Blatt, W. John	
Sept.	2, 1924	Blessing, Charles H.	
Aug.	20, 1866	Boate, George G.	D 1871
June	30, 1868	Bobst, William J.	D 1909
Feb.	25, 1948	Bohn, J. Russell	
Jan.	3, 1899	Boileau, Emile	D 1943
May	26, 1925	Bomgardner, Roy E.	
Oct.	8, 1864	Boone, Jeremiah H.	D 1901
Apr.	3, 1860	Boone, John A.	D 1894
May	6, 1856	Borell, John L.	S 1886
June	3, 1873	Bortz, Augustus M.	D 1894
Apr.	6, 1943	Bossler, Irvin L.	
June	3, 1850	Bowen, George Dixon	D 1858
Dec.	7, 1926	Bowman, James F.	
Feb.	2, 1932	Bowman, Leon A.	
Apr.	7, 1931	Bowman, Raymond A.	
Dec.	5, 1929	Bowman, Robert B.	
Feb.	6, 1866	Boyer, Amos K.	D 1885
Dec.	9, 1857	Boyer, B. Franklin	D 1873
Oct.	1, 1901	Boyer, Frank J.	D 1939
Mar.	6, 1855	Boyer, Franklin F.	D 1861
Mar.	22, 1870	Boyer, George M.	D 1890
Sept.	23, 1864	Boyer, Jerome L.	D 1923
Feb.	4, 1868	Boyer, Samuel P.	D 1875
Nov.	5, 1861	Bratt, Benjamin R.	D 1872
Oct.	23, 1928	Brecker, Joseph H.	
Apr.	4, 1854	Breneiser, Charles	D 1909
Dec.	7, 1918	Breneiser, George G.	
May	7, 1907	Breneiser, George S.	D 1920
June	6, 1922	Breneiser, Joseph U.	S 1940
Mar.	1, 1910	Breneiser, R. Milton	D 1946

July 6, 1918	Breneiser, Samuel L.	
Oct. 28, 1946	Breneman, Earle J.	
Mar. 1, 1921	Breneman, Harry R.	S 1938
Mar. 7, 1911	Brensinger, David A.	D 1944
Feb. 3, 1920	Bressler, Norman J.	
Feb. 2, 1897	Bricker, Lee C.	D 1945
Oct. 5, 1886	Bricker, William T.	D 1912
Mar. 3, 1908	Bridegam, William K.	
Dec. 3, 1850	Bright, Jacob W.	D 1889
Jan. 5, 1915	Bright, Lawrence C.	S 1940
June 6, 1922	Brinton, Caleb D.	S 1943
June 6, 1905	Brissel, John M.	D 1941
Mar. 6, 1883	Brobst, Daniel F.	D 1891
Feb. 21, 1920	Brossman, Herbert W.	
Mar. 7, 1922	Brossman, John A.	S 1929
Dec. 1, 1857	Brown, James C.	S 1889
Sept. 6, 1859	Brown, John M.	D 1880
Nov. 3, 1908	Brown, Orris D.	
Apr. 3, 1888	Brown, Philip	D 1922
Oct. 1, 1912	Brownmiller, Ephraim S.	D 1933
Sept. 4, 1888	Brubaker, Jacob B.	D 1935
Feb. 21, 1871	Bruch, Henry	D 1881
Jan. 5, 1864	Brumbach, Albert J.	D 1923
June 17, 1856	Brumbach, William	D 1869
Sept. 1, 1874	Brusstar, Peter	D 1915
Dec. 22, 1947	Bryan, Herbert S.	
Aug. 7, 1866	Buch, Lemon	D 1914
Apr. 7, 1921	Bucher, Chester R.	
Feb. 5, 1924	Bucher, Ray	
May 1, 1923	Bucher, Raymond L.	
Apr. 3, 1917	Buchter, Howard E.	
June 1, 1920	Buchter, Steward L.	
Jan. 15, 1921	Bucks, George D.	S 1931
Feb. 2, 1904	Buckwalter, Charles C.	D 1934
Dec. 17, 1867	Bunting, John C.	S 1889
Mar. 2, 1897	Burke, William H.	D 1925
Apr. 3, 1883	Burkhart, Samuel J.	S 1886
Apr. 3, 1928	Burns, George L.	D 1946
Mar. 1, 1921	Burns, William F.	
Aug. 2, 1881	Burnside, Edward F.	S 1886
Jan. 1, 1924	Busch, Arthur R.	
Oct. 16, 1866	Bush, Henry F.	R 1879
May 5, 1896	Bussom, James K.	D 1930
Oct. 5, 1920	Butler, Paul E.	
July 22, 1947	Butner, Charles L.	

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May 4, 1848	Caldwell, Robert	R 1852
Sept. 3, 1907	Calvert, Richard	
Nov. 2, 1886	Campbell, David	D 1900
Nov. 3, 1931	Campbell, Horace E., Jr.	
Sept. 2, 1873	Care, Henry C.	S 1891
July 1, 1851	Cessford, William	S 1861
Apr. 5, 1910	Chambers, Alfred H.	
Nov. 4, 1902	Chandler, Frank R.	D 1938
Dec. 26, 1849	Chapman, Samuel	S 1851
Oct. 6, 1863	Charnly, Thomas	S 1886
Jan. 16, 1872	Cheetham, J. Harry	D 1929
Feb. 5, 1849	Christian, John D.	D 1875
Feb. 3, 1931	Clay, Henry	
Apr. 2, 1895	Cleaver, Chester B.	D 1925
Oct. 26, 1903	Cleaver, Howard W.	
Apr. 2, 1872	Cleaver, Israel	R 1876
Feb. 2, 1904	Cleaver, Webster W.	
Nov. 4, 1856	Climenson, Benjamin	S 1869
Apr. 26, 1945	Close, Clarence E.	
May 11, 1852	Clous, William I.	D 1897
Oct. 25, 1927	Clouser, LeVerne H.	
May 1, 1855	Clouser, Tobias	D 1868
Mar. 18, 1850	Clymer, Daniel R.	D 1889
Nov. 1, 1921	Cobb, George T.	D 1932
Feb. 22, 1945	Cochran, Paul W.	
June 5, 1917	Coe, Frederick E.	S 1926
July 20, 1869	Coldren, Edward	S 1902
Aug. 5, 1851	Cole, Job H.	S 1861
Jan. 11, 1849	Collamer, Charles N.	R 1853
Mar. 7, 1865	Coller, Obediah B.	D 1909
Jan. 1, 1924	Comley, Edward M.	
Apr. 17, 1905	Conner, George F.	D 1948
Sept. 17, 1867	Conner, Thomas E.	D 1885
Feb. 25, 1868	Cook, Charles H.	D 1907
Nov. 1, 1921	Cook, Clarence E.	D 1945
Nov. 7, 1916	Corbit, John D.	
June 1, 1937	Costenbader, Fred D.	
Mar. 4, 1902	Courtney, Charles F.	D 1911
Sept. 3, 1929	Courtney, Charles F., Jr.	
Jan. 29, 1910	Cox, Frederick W.	D 1943
Apr. 2, 1918	Cox, John	
Apr. 5, 1853	Coxel, James F.	D 1861
Nov. 12, 1864	Craig, Charles M.	D 1891
Nov. 3, 1863	Craig, John T.	D 1884
June 2, 1914	Craig, William H.	R 1947

May 4, 1948	Craven, Harold	
Aug. 1, 1865	Crouse, Henry	D 1902
Nov. 9, 1848	Crowther, Henry	S 1853
June 18, 1921	Culp, Cyrus C.	
June 1, 1920	Custer, Granville Y.	
Sept. 2, 1890	Cutler, J. Howard	D 1906

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Aug. 18, 1868	Dalrymple, William M.	D 1875
Feb. 5, 1864	Darlington, Thomas	D 1902
Mar. 5, 1912	Darrah, Leon C.	
May 3, 1881	Dauth, John P.	D 1920
Mar. 22, 1870	Dauth, Lewis	D 1912
Apr. 23, 1919	Dautrich, Claude L.	
Sept. 30, 1946	Dautrich, Leon S.	
Mar. 24, 1948	Davidson, Robert R.	
Oct. 2, 1900	Davies, Harry	D 1940
Apr. 29, 1946	Davis, John H., Jr.	
Feb. 4, 1890	Day, John L.	
Feb. 7, 1882	Day, Joseph W.	D 1912
Sept. 7, 1920	Dean, Roy E.	R 1932
Dec. 2, 1947	DeBold, Harry R.	
Nov. 26, 1946	DeBold, John K.	
Feb. 18, 1873	Dech, William J.	D 1899
Mar. 7, 1911	Deck, Mathias D.	
June 7, 1910	Deem, Edwin S.	D 1935
Feb. 27, 1850	Deem, Thomas	D 1896
Sept. 18, 1849	DeHart, Charles	S 1852
Feb. 22, 1947	Deibert, Glenn A.	
Aug. 7, 1906	Deiningner, Edward J.	
Dec. 18, 1915	Dengler, Raymond	
May 3, 1881	Dengler, William	D 1900
May 4, 1926	DePugh, Charles L.	
Oct. 5, 1880	Derr, William C.	S 1892
Dec. 11, 1920	Derr, William J.	
May 3, 1904	Dersch, John G.	
Jan. 7, 1908	Dethoff, John C.	
May 28, 1947	Detterline, Lloyd A.	
Mar. 7, 1876	DeTurk, John D.	D 1937
Jan. 27, 1925	Detwiler, David V.	
Aug. 4, 1896	Dick, Charles K.	D 1947
June 4, 1907	Dick, Franklin K.	
Mar. 5, 1918	Dick, William L.	D 1944
Mar. 27, 1948	Diefenderfer, Paul T.	
Oct. 6, 1914	Diehl, Harold T.	D 1947

July 26, 1850	Diehl, Joseph V.	S 1896
Oct. 16, 1849	Diehl, William W.	D 1873
May 1, 1928	Diemand, William E.	
Nov. 4, 1902	Diener, Jacob	D 1920
Oct. 28, 1946	Dietrich, Claude R.	
Sept. 4, 1906	Dietrich, William J.	R 1923
Mar. 5, 1907		E 1911
Sept. 1, 1908	Dietrick, Walter L.	S 1936
Nov. 2, 1920	Dilfield, Raymond	D 1929
June 18, 1867	Dillon, Patrick	R 1873
June 1, 1920	Ditlow, Luther F.	S 1935
Sept. 3, 1849	Divine, A. Butler	S 1851
Mar. 24, 1948	Divine, Joseph W.	
Mar. 18, 1922	Dohner, Earl F.	
May 6, 1947	Dojan, Arthur P.	
Feb. 6, 1923	Dolch, William	
Dec. 2, 1856	Donkle, Aaron H.	D 1901
Dec. 17, 1849	Donley, Josiah B.	R 1852
Apr. 7, 1925	Donnelly, John F.	
Nov. 2, 1909	Dorwin, Fred D.	D 1932
May 1, 1923	Dorwin, Harold L.	S 1940
Sept. 6, 1932	Drake, Carroll O.	
May 16, 1871	Drase, Jacob H.	D 1892
Dec. 6, 1892	Drayer, Ulysses S.	D 1935
Feb. 5, 1907	Drayer, Wilson S.	S 1927
Jan. 29, 1947	Dreas, Edward D.	
Jan. 1, 1907	Dreibelbis, S. Leon	S 1930
Mar. 4, 1851	Drenkel, Amos	D 1898
Apr. 7, 1925	Dresher, Jesse	
Oct. 26, 1903	Drew, Frederick E.	D 1930
Apr. 4, 1905	Drexel, Frederick	D 1944
Mar. 6, 1883	Drexel, John Jr.	D 1917
Dec. 4, 1919	Dulaney, Claude L.	S 1936
June 18, 1867	Dundore, Adam B.	D 1910
May 5, 1891	Dundore, Adam J.	D 1935
Apr. 3, 1860	Dundore, Franklin	D 1904
Mar. 5, 1861	Dundore, Levi	S 1886
June 5, 1920	Dunkelberger, Arthur	
Jan. 6, 1923	Dunkelberger, Herbert	
Oct. 25, 1927	Dunkelberger, Roy	D 1948
Apr. 3, 1894	Dunkle, Samuel L.	D 1946
Nov. 3, 1921	Dunkleberger, Clarence	
Oct. 6, 1921	Dunkleberger, Ralph S.	
Mar. 7, 1893	Dunsford, George H.	D 1902
Sept. 3, 1849	Durell, George W.	D 1883

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Oct. 19, 1859	Eaches, Hysinger R.	D 1871
Jan. 4, 1944	Eaken, Ralph W.	
May 4, 1875	Eben, Frederick	S 1882
Dec. 18, 1915	Eberly, H. Roy	
Feb. 7, 1911	Eberly, Harvey E.	D 1939
Sept. 2, 1919	Eberly, John A.	
May 1, 1923	Eberly, Samuel E.	S 1937
Dec. 29, 1945	Ecke, George G.	
May 2, 1911	Edmunds, William M.	D 1919
Nov. 19, 1850	Edwards, James	D 1910
June 3, 1919	Edwards, William A.	
Nov. 9, 1848	Egelman, Frederick J. C.	S 1864
Oct. 9, 1920	Eggert, Frans G. A.	
Nov. 7, 1899	Eisenbrown, George F.	D 1932
Aug. 6, 1907	Eisenbrown, John D.	
Oct. 25, 1922	Eisenbrown, William P.	
Mar. 2, 1920	Eisenhower, Cyrus F.	
Sept. 5, 1911	Eitzel, Howard A.	S 1936
Mar. 4, 1924	Ellenberger, Alfred S.	
Apr. 2, 1907	Elliott, Malcolm F.	
Aug. 4, 1908	Embich, Frank M.	
Jan. 29, 1910	Endy, Thomas W.	
June 3, 1924	Engle, J. Harold	
June 6, 1865	Ennis, Isaac T.	S 1873
Nov. 4, 1902	Epler, Walter A.	R 1943
June 25, 1946	Epler, William H.	
Oct. 30, 1919	Eppinger, William J.	
June 5, 1928	Epstein, Daniel	
Dec. 16, 1911	Epstein, Edward	D 1942
Sept. 30, 1947	Ericksen, Arthur N.	
Feb. 1, 1921	Ericksen, Einar A.	
Apr. 12, 1864	Ermentrout, Benjamin F.	D 1864
Sept. 12, 1866	Ermentrout, Joseph C.	D 1908
Apr. 26, 1946	Eshbach, Russel E.	
Sept. 19, 1944	Eshbach, William M.	
May 16, 1916	Eshelman, Albert L.	
Feb. 22, 1947	Eshelman, Carl B.	
Feb. 3, 1920	Eshelman, Joseph M.	S 1940
Jan. 5, 1924	Eshelman, Orville C.	
Dec. 4, 1923	Eshelman, Victor L.	
Nov. 6, 1917	Eshelman, William L.	
June 5, 1894	Essick, Walter S.	D 1931
Feb. 7, 1893	Essick, William W.	D 1941
Oct. 2, 1906	Esterly, Christian C.	D 1932
Dec. 12, 1925	Esterly, John D.	

Feb. 16, 1869	Esterly, Joseph S.	D 1893
June 7, 1927	Etzel, Edward J.	
Sept. 2, 1851	Evans, John F.	D 1857
June 2, 1908	Eyler, James C.	
Aug. 3, 1909	Eyrich, Charles P.	

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July 1, 1873	Faber, Henry J. H.	D 1926
Jan. 5, 1892	Face, Willard W.	D 1916
Sept. 20, 1870	Fagan, Henry	D 1910
Apr. 16, 1867	Fahnestock, John	S 1878
Dec. 29, 1945	Fake, Amos I.	
Dec. 18, 1920	Fake, Earl E.	
Mar. 5, 1935	Fake, Paul A.	
Jan. 1, 1884	Farley, William N.	D 1911
Sept. 2, 1879	Fasig, Albert B.	D 1920
Mar. 18, 1922	Fasnacht, Allen H.	
July 5, 1859	Faust, Adam	D 1882
Dec. 4, 1924	Faust, Harry S.	
Sept. 1, 1903	Faust, Jared Bohn	D 1911
Dec. 3, 1849	Feather, Alexander S.	S 1886
July 21, 1868	Feather, Milton G.	D 1925
Dec. 20, 1919	Fee, Frank D.	
May 4, 1848	Feger, Daniel H.	D 1884
Dec. 16, 1911	Fegley, Walter A.	
Sept. 20, 1870	Fehr, Benjamin	D 1914
Sept. 3, 1907	Fehr, Horace	
Sept. 5, 1922	Fehr, Walter H.	
Nov. 22, 1922	Fels, Elmer G.	
Feb. 1, 1910	Fenstermacher, James G.	
Mar. 26, 1927	Fenstermacher, William H.	
Apr. 17, 1905	Fenstermacher, Wm. R.	D 1936
Feb. 6, 1855	Fernley, Thomas A.	R 1872
July 2, 1907	Fessler, Irvin P.	S 1923
Apr. 2, 1912	Fetter, Edmond C.	S 1930
Apr. 18, 1865	Fichthorn, Charles E.	S 1870
June 6, 1944	Fichthorn, Earl D.	
Dec. 4, 1900	Fichthorn, Frank R.	R 1911
Sept. 3, 1907	Fichthorn, Harry S.	D 1929
Nov. 25, 1947	Fichthorn, Richard G.	
Jan. 24, 1948	Field, Neil H.	
Apr. 1, 1924	Field, Norman R.	
Apr. 15, 1910	Filbert, Edward D.	
Nov. 6, 1906	Filbert, Edward H.	
Nov. 5, 1872	Filbert, William F.	D 1886

Feb. 5, 1918	Finch, N. Guiley	
Feb. 2, 1937	Finch, Walter S.	
July 19, 1865	Fincher, George W.	S 1875
July 19, 1865	Fincher, John	D 1872
July 3, 1855	Fink, Daniel L.	D 1856
Apr. 20, 1869	Fishburn, Ephraim G.	S 1876
May 5, 1885	Fisher, Adam W.	D 1911
Oct. 7, 1930	Fisher, Allison D.	
Dec. 22, 1922	Fisher, Andrew J.	
Feb. 6, 1923	Fisher, D. Paul	
Mar. 17, 1868	Fisher, Daniel B.	D 1897
Feb. 5, 1918	Fisher, Earl W.	
Apr. 23, 1919	Fisher, George W.	D 1939
Dec. 29, 1945	Fisher, Ira O.	
June 3, 1924	Fisher, Irvin Y.	
July 17, 1866	Fisher, Peres S.	D 1907
Dec. 17, 1909	Fisher, Solomon S.	
Oct. 23, 1928	Fisher, William B.	
June 2, 1885	Fitzpatrick, William M.	D 1920
Sept. 17, 1867	Fix, Daniel	S 1886
Dec. 16, 1873	Fix, Lawrence	D 1896
June 28, 1927	Focht, Carl A.	
May 4, 1875	Focht, Henry A.	S 1899
Nov. 17, 1874	Focht, Levi H.	D 1917
Mar. 19, 1921	Focht, Walter S.	D 1945
May 19, 1874	Foreman, Philip	D 1887
Apr. 2, 1866	Forrest, Andrew J.	R 1869
Sept. 29, 1920	Forry, W. Franklin	S 1937
Sept. 7, 1926	Fox, Edwin M.	
Mar. 6, 1882	Fox, Eli W.	D 1915
Apr. 4, 1916	Fox, George K.	D 1941
Sept. 23, 1851	Fox, James	S 1859
Mar. 1, 1927	Fox, Luther	
Apr. 24, 1893	Frame, A. Lincoln	D 1935
Dec. 14, 1866	Frame, William J.	S 1902
Mar. 18, 1916	Francis, Thomas E.	D 1927
Aug. 18, 1868	Frantz, George W.	D 1892
May 24, 1943	Frantz, Harry M.	
May 24, 1943	Frantz, Homer W.	
Feb. 9, 1924	Frantz, Howard W.	
Dec. 2, 1947	Frantz, Wilson J.	
June 26, 1945	Fraunfelder, James A.	
Sept. 3, 1907	Frederick, William J.	D 1934
May 7, 1889	Freehafer, Daniel M.	D 1905
May 8, 1920	Frey, Wayne B.	D 1947
Nov. 4, 1919	Fries, Galen H.	

Jan. 29, 1910	Fries, J. Howard	D 1943
Jan. 2, 1923	Fritch, Arthur F.	
Dec. 17, 1909	Fritch, Robert P.	S 1938
Oct. 19, 1859	Fritz, Charles L.	S 1872
July 19, 1864	Fritz, John	D 1871
July 6, 1909	Fritz, Nathan T.	D 1929
Dec. 19, 1854	Fritz, William	D 1880
Apr. 4, 1922	Fry, Arthur S.	S 1927
Apr. 3, 1894	Furlow, Franklin K.	D 1943
Jan. 2, 1906	Furry, Edward B.	D 1914

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Nov. 5, 1883	Ganger, George P.	D 1918
Dec. 4, 1923	Gangewere, E. Paul	
Apr. 26, 1946	Ganster, William J.	
Mar. 4, 1924	Garis, Jacob	
Sept. 22, 1891	Garverich, Elias L.	D 1940
July 5, 1904	Gass, George D.	D 1940
Mar. 24, 1948	Gass, Lloyd A.	
Mar. 2, 1897	Gasser, George W.	D 1931
Nov. 3, 1936	Gaul, Edward F.	
June 6, 1865	Gaul, Henry S.	D 1898
Oct. 8, 1921	Gaul, James W.	
Jan. 4, 1947	Gaul, William R.	
Oct. 1, 1946	Gearhart, Emmett J.	
June 17, 1856	Geary, Joseph W.	S 1869
Apr. 3, 1928	Gehman, Richard H.	D 1930
Dec. 11, 1909	Gehret, Robert E.	S 1937
Oct. 1, 1872	Gehris, Henry S.	D 1878
Feb. 3, 1948	Gehris, Leroy A.	
Mar. 2, 1926	Gehris, Paul W. E.	
Nov. 4, 1924	Gehris, Russell B.	
Oct. 1, 1907	Gehris, Wilson E.	
June 1, 1943	Gehrke, H. Bruce	
June 5, 1906	Gehrke, Herbert W. S.	
Aug. 3, 1886	Gehrke, Reinhold F. E.	D 1931
Mar. 2, 1858	Geiger, Charles D.	D 1883
Mar. 1, 1892	Geiger, David C.	D 1928
Dec. 1, 1863	Geiger, Jacob W.	D 1866
Feb. 7, 1882	Geiger, William O.	D 1924
May 8, 1920	Geiss, Raymond E.	
June 4, 1895	Geissler, Harry C.	
Jan. 5, 1867	Geissler, Henry C.	D 1915
July 27, 1849	Geissler, John George	D 1880
Jan. 6, 1925	Geist, Millard H.	

Oct. 7, 1947	Gendall, Francis H.	
Feb. 21, 1920	Gensemer, Clifford S.	
May 3, 1864	Gentzler, James H.	D 1870
Apr. 2, 1907	George, Samuel	D 1946
Oct. 1, 1895	Gerhard, Adam B.	D 1927
Mar. 3, 1903	Gerhard, Luther B.	R 1933
Feb. 2, 1909	Gerhard, Mark B.	
June 2, 1931	Gerhart, Howard M.	S 1933
Jan. 6, 1948	Gerhart, Robert D.	
Dec. 17, 1909	German, Elmer A.	D 1925
Jan. 27, 1945	Gernert, George S.	
June 5, 1860	Gery, Jacob M.	D 1869
Nov. 15, 1870	Getrost, Henry	D 1887
Feb. 5, 1924	Getz, Ray A.	
Apr. 7, 1921	Gibson, J. Ray	
June 6, 1882	Gicker, James M.	R 1904
June 16, 1923	Gilbert, Arthur J.	
Sept. 2, 1919	Giles, George W.	
Oct. 1, 1929	Gilham, Clarence M.	S 1940
Aug. 15, 1865	Gilham, Philip Y.	D 1898
June 1, 1909	Gill, Franklin V.	
Nov. 26, 1929	Gillmor, James L.	
Apr. 1, 1850	Ging, John	S 1853
Nov. 6, 1934	Gissler, Carl R.	
Oct. 6, 1914	Glase, Claude H.	
Mar. 22, 1870	Glase, Jacob W.	D 1912
Feb. 1, 1938	Glase, John D.	
June 4, 1907	Glase, Paul E.	
May 23, 1865	Glase, Peter W.	R 1871
May 7, 1907	Glassmoyer, James A.	
Feb. 4, 1902	Glassmoyer, Samuel	D 1926
Feb. 4, 1919	Glassmoyer, Samuel M.	
Mar. 4, 1930	Glick, Simon B.	
Aug. 7, 1883	Gnau, Jacob	D 1899
Nov. 22, 1922	Godshalk, George W.	
Oct. 9, 1913	Godshall, Ray E.	
Aug. 1, 1854	Goff, Henry A.	D 1855
Jan. 15, 1867	Goheen, Samuel E.	S 1886
Oct. 26, 1926	Golden, Albert W.	
Nov. 26, 1929	Golden, Harvey J.	
Jan. 5, 1867	Goldman, William H.	S 1878
Feb. 7, 1893	Goldsmith, Samuel	D 1941
Mar. 3, 1903	Goldsmith, Solomon	D 1948
June 2, 1925	Good, B. Dewey	
Dec. 5, 1922	Good, Harry, Sr.	
Feb. 2, 1932	Good, Hermann P.	

Feb. 3, 1931	Good, Paul D.	
June 7, 1910	Good, William N.	
Apr. 1, 1924	Goodhart, Ernest N.	S 1936
Sept. 7, 1926	Goodhart, George G.	
Aug. 16, 1852	Goodman, Calvin	D 1896
Feb. 3, 1863	Goodman, Jacob	D 1903
Jan. 1, 1878	Goodman, John E.	D 1918
Sept. 4, 1900	Goodman, William A.	
Apr. 3, 1855	Goodrich, George W.	R 1868
Nov. 4, 1919	Goodwin, Edwin A.	S 1933
Nov. 2, 1920	Goodwin, Howard D.	
Apr. 16, 1872	Gotwols, Edward J.	D 1901
Dec. 18, 1920	Gounder, Howard M.	
Oct. 7, 1851	Graeff, Isaac E.	R 1852
Aug. 6, 1861	Graeff, Joseph S.	D 1896
Aug. 3, 1852	Graeff, Jacob S.	D 1905
Apr. 17, 1920	Graeff, William G.	
Jan. 5, 1904	Gragg, Edward S.	S 1948
Apr. 5, 1892	Grander, Harry C.	D 1919
Apr. 1, 1890	Grander, Horace	D 1944
July 19, 1865	Grant, George W.	D 1901
Mar. 18, 1916	Grant, Hudson L.	
Oct. 1, 1918	Graul, Charles F.	
Sept. 5, 1922	Graul, Harry E.	
Jan. 24, 1920	Graul, Henry A.	D 1941
June 26, 1945	Graul, William J.	
Jan. 6, 1863	Green, Frank M.	S 1896
May 3, 1892	Green, Henry D.	D 1929
June 5, 1928	Gregg, Lawrence J.	R 1943
May 4, 1848	Greiner, Jacob F.	S 1850
Oct. 4, 1892	Griesemer, Charles K.	D 1913
Nov. 4, 1924	Griesemer, Clarence H.	
May 4, 1948	Griesemer, Harold A.	
Dec. 12, 1925	Griesemer, Howard E.	
Jan. 28, 1930	Griesemer, John C.	
Oct. 4, 1910	Griesemer, Wellington D.	
Jan. 11, 1849	Griffith, David A.	D 1900
Oct. 3, 1944	Griffith, Rulon L.	
Apr. 5, 1853	Grim, Joel E.	S 1866
Oct. 2, 1917	Gring, Irvin O.	
Oct. 17, 1854	Grissinger, John E.	D 1855
Nov. 6, 1877	Grist, Benjamin W.	D 1912
Feb. 2, 1886	Grist, James E.	D 1897
Jan. 7, 1850	Griswold, William A.	R 1853
July 2, 1907	Grofe, William M. C.	D 1939
Feb. 21, 1865	Groff, Diller B.	S 1871

Jan. 24, 1920	Gromes, Adam J.	D 1946
June 22, 1848	Grotevant, Frederick	D 1874
Apr. 20, 1918	Grove, William E.	D 1943
June 6, 1944	Grund, Charles W.	
June 22, 1848		E 1854
Oct. 1, 1907	Guldin, Calvin L.	D 1924
Sept. 29, 1873	Guldin, Elam Y.	S 1878
Apr. 6, 1948	Gundy, Irvin J.	
June 3, 1873	Guss, Samuel F.	D 1928

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Mar. 26, 1927	Haag, Harry B.	S 1938
June 3, 1930	Haag, Robert W.	
Feb. 25, 1946	Haas, David W.	
Mar. 4, 1919	Haas, Edward F.	D 1942
Oct. 2, 1866	Haas, John Peter	D 1888
Dec. 7, 1886	Hacker, Isaac B.	D 1921
Apr. 4, 1922	Hafer, B. Franklin	
Jan. 15, 1921	Hafer, Harold M.	
June 18, 1867	Hafer, Henry E.	D 1912
Jan. 11, 1867	Hafer, John	D 1914
Sept. 1, 1925	Hafer, John J.	
June 5, 1877	Hafer, William E.	D 1925
Mar. 2, 1909	Hagner, Frank J.	D 1944
Oct. 26, 1903	Hagner, John W.	D 1915
June 20, 1865	Hagy, Benjamin F.	S 1876
July 16, 1867	Hagy, Benneville W.	D 1900
Dec. 15, 1917	Hahn, Daniel L.	D 1940
Mar. 21, 1865	Hahn, John	D 1908
Jan. 13, 1863	Hahn, John F.	D 1905
July 17, 1866	Hain, George M.	D 1883
Apr. 16, 1867	Hain, Henry C.	S 1899
Apr. 7, 1914	Hain, Ira J.	S 1938
Nov. 16, 1866	Hain, Thomas W.	R 1905
Apr. 3, 1923	Haines, Clarence A.	S 1933
Oct. 22, 1929	Haines, Floyd	S 1937
July 2, 1907	Hall, Frank J.	
Oct. 2, 1917	Hallman, Lawrence E.	D 1941
Oct. 5, 1852	Hamilton, Samuel	D 1874
June 22, 1917	Hancox, Joseph B.	
Oct. 3, 1911	Hand, Howard E.	D 1941
June 6, 1922	Hankee, Robert W.	D 1946
Sept. 4, 1883	Hantsch, James H.	D 1888
Oct. 4, 1910	Happel, Glen A.	
Aug. 5, 1884	Happersett, Edward J.	S 1899

Mar. 21, 1865	Harbster, John	D 1865
Mar. 1, 1864	Harbster, Matthan	D 1912
Feb. 21, 1865	Harbster, William	D 1885
Aug. 2, 1881	Harding, William P.	D 1906
Mar. 25, 1946	Hardy, John R.	
Feb. 25, 1948	Hare, Charles D.	
Feb. 3, 1852	Hare, Cyrus	D 1854
July 22, 1947	Hare, Donald C.	
Apr. 1, 1924	Harkins, Ralph L.	
July 23, 1946	Harkness, Edward D.	
July 7, 1908	Harner, Frank	D 1911
Nov. 5, 1907	Harr, William E.	R 1922
Dec. 16, 1916	Harris, John E.	
Aug. 26, 1864	Harrison, George W.	D 1902
June 19, 1866	Harrison, Samuel L.	D 1890
Dec. 5, 1914	Hart, Albert L.	D 1918
Dec. 2, 1941	Hart, George	
May 28, 1929	Hart, Harry W.	
Jan. 1, 1907	Hartline, George C.	D 1915
Mar. 4, 1919	Hartman, Eugene H.	
Aug. 23, 1943	Hartman, Herbert	
Mar. 3, 1903	Hartman, Howard S.	D 1926
May 3, 1904	Hartman, Irvin H.	
Feb. 6, 1906	Hartman, Peter H.	D 1934
June 6, 1916	Hartman, William M.	D 1920
Dec. 16, 1916	Hartz, Wester A.	
Mar. 7, 1905	Hasbrouck, Joseph H.	
Nov. 19, 1850	Haslup, Isaiah D.	R 1857
Jan. 5, 1932	Hassler, Charles I.	
June 11, 1910	Hassler, John I.	D 1924
Nov. 2, 1909	Haug, Harry	
Mar. 7, 1876	Hawk, Charles A.	D 1917
Oct. 1, 1907	Hawk, Harry W.	D 1940
Oct. 6, 1931	Haws, George W.	
Dec. 20, 1919	Hayden, J. Walter	S 1947
June 22, 1848	Head, John	S 1850
Dec. 18, 1920	Heberle, William F.	
Apr. 5, 1927	Heck, Edward W.	
Mar. 22, 1877	Heckman, George A.	D 1925
Oct. 30, 1945	Heckman, Harold H.	
June 18, 1921	Heckman, Henry F.	S 1936
Mar. 3, 1925	Heckman, Howard A.	
Jan. 29, 1947	Heckman, John D.	
Nov. 29, 1945	Heckman, Norman R.	
Dec. 17, 1867	Heffelfinger, Cyrus	R 1872
Apr. 5, 1892	Heffner, Frank M.	D 1908

Mar. 5, 1910	Heffner, Frank M.	D 1930
Dec. 17, 1850	Heilman, Lewis	D 1899
Mar. 18, 1922	Heinly, William H.	
Feb. 7, 1922	Heist, Adam P.	
Oct. 30, 1945	Heist, Ralph L.	
Nov. 3, 1931	Heist, Russell L.	
Mar. 6, 1917	Heleine, William B.	D 1940
Dec. 27, 1848	Helman, Adam	R 1866
Feb. 4, 1936	Helmbright, Louis P.	
Feb. 22, 1945	Helms, Elwood J.	
June 30, 1868	Hemmig, Isaac	D 1910
Oct. 27, 1868	Hendel, George	D 1924
Dec. 17, 1867	Hendel, John	R 1889
Sept. 2, 1919	Hendricks, Preston E.	
Dec. 16, 1853	Henke, Frederick M.	D 1859
Nov. 3, 1863	Henninger, Charles	D 1900
June 16, 1874	Henninger, F. Irwin	D 1892
Oct. 19, 1865	Henry, Benjamin M.	D 1875
June 1, 1897	Henry, Harry C.	S 1936
May 12, 1864	Henry, John B.	D 1903
Sept. 24, 1923	Henry, John E.	
Apr. 1, 1924	Hentrich, August C.	
Nov. 20, 1920	Hentrich, Harry K.	S 1933
Oct. 5, 1909	Hepler, Irvin E.	D 1929
May 6, 1879	Herb, Henry P.	D 1909
Feb. 7, 1920	Herbine, Daniel F.	
Mar. 6, 1894	Herbine, John Calvin	R 1899
Nov. 3, 1921	Herbine, John H.	
Apr. 3, 1860	Herbst, Richard H.	D 1886
Apr. 7, 1891	Herflicker, John H.	S 1913
May 25, 1921	Hertz, Chester G.	D 1921
Feb. 10, 1923	Hertzog, Jacob F.	
Nov. 3, 1885	Hertzog, Oscar S.	R 1888
Sept. 7, 1852	Heston, Newton	R 1865
Jan. 1, 1918	Hetrich, Lester L.	
Dec. 6, 1932	Heubach, Emil	S 1938
July 7, 1903	Heyberger, Franklin	D 1921
Feb. 9, 1924	Heydt, Edward M.	D 1927
May 18, 1918	Heydt, Samuel D.	D 1943
June 1, 1915	Heydt, Wallace L.	
Nov. 3, 1925	Hiester, Charles W.	
Oct. 6, 1921	Hiester, Herbert J.	
Dec. 19, 1871	Hiester, John A.	D 1922
Mar. 1, 1910	Hiester, John C.	
Sept. 22, 1868	High, Henry D.	D 1906
Nov. 5, 1912	High, Isaac B.	

Apr. 1, 1913	Hill, Arthur L.	S 1916
Jan. 6, 1923	Hill, Clarence M.	
Sept. 7, 1926	Hill, David J.	
Feb. 5, 1929	Hill, Francis G.	
Feb. 5, 1924	Hill, Harrison R.	D 1944
May 27, 1946	Hill, James W.	
Aug. 23, 1943	Hill, Norman C.	
Nov. 25, 1924	Hill, William H.	D 1932
Oct. 22, 1864	Hill, William S.	D 1866
Oct. 2, 1877	Hillegass, Horace H.	D 1879
June 4, 1895	Himmelberger, Chas. M.	D 1940
July 6, 1909	Himmelberger, Edwin	
Apr. 1, 1919	Himmelreich, Paul J. D.	
Jan. 2, 1917	Hinkel, Howard D.	D 1918
Feb. 3, 1914	Hinnershots, Harry W.	R 1933
Aug. 7, 1883	Hinnershotz, John S.	S 1889
July 26, 1893	Hirshland, Solomon	D 1926
Apr. 12, 1864	Hoch, Joseph	D 1876
May 1, 1866	Hoch, Thomas	S 1889
Nov. 2, 1920	Hodgkins, Clifford E.	
May 2, 1922	Hoernle, William A.	
Apr. 2, 1878	Hoff, Charles L.	D 1914
Apr. 5, 1904	Hoffa, Charles E.	
Jan. 5, 1924	Hoffa, George W.	D 1941
Feb. 3, 1863	Hoffeditz, Charles W. L.	S 1889
Feb. 5, 1861	Hoffeditz, John C. A.	D 1901
Mar. 24, 1948	Hoffman, Ephraim E.	
July 6, 1848	Hoffman, George W.	D 1872
Feb. 3, 1948	Hoffman, John A.	
Apr. 6, 1926	Hoffmaster, Charles E.	
Oct. 1, 1918	Hofses, Charles A., Jr.	
May 24, 1851	Hogendobler, Henry R.	D 1852
Oct. 23, 1928	Hoke, William B.	
Oct. 4, 1927	Holder, Thomas B.	
Mar. 6, 1917	Hole, Arthur	D 1934
Mar. 20, 1920	Holl, Charles F.	
Apr. 26, 1870	Hollenbach, Theodore F.	D 1902
Nov. 6, 1928	Hollenbacher, J. Frederick	
May 26, 1868	Holloway, Levi B.	D 1894
Jan. 7, 1851	Holmes, Joseph G.	S 1858
Mar. 1, 1864	Holmes, Robert H.	D 1873
Sept. 5, 1899	Homan, Charles W.	D 1933
Mar. 1, 1932	Homan, Chester	
Jan. 29, 1946	Homan, Harry A.	R 1948
Apr. 16, 1872	Homan, Henry L.	D 1936
Nov. 5, 1946	Homan, Joseph	

Oct. 19, 1859	Homan, Peter T.	D 1861
Apr. 5, 1853	Hooker, Amos	D 1879
Mar. 1, 1921	Horst, David F.	
Sept. 1, 1903	Hostetter, Harry J.	D 1940
Mar. 5, 1918	Hostetter, Robert L.	
Feb. 7, 1928	Hostetter, Walter T.	
Mar. 4, 1930	Hostetter, William S.	
Feb. 3, 1914	Hostetter, William W.	
July 7, 1903	Hostetter, Taylor T.	D 1912
Jan. 7, 1947	Houck, Kenneth	
Mar. 1, 1910	Houck, Edgar W.	D 1936
Mar. 25, 1930	Houck, E. Karl	
Sept. 7, 1926	Houck, Lyman H.	
Jan. 2, 1923	Houck, William F.	D 1933
Dec. 17, 1850	Housel, Isaac	S 1852
Mar. 4, 1850	Housum, Philip B.	D 1858
Dec. 14, 1865	Howden, John K.	D 1892
Jan. 1, 1918	Howerter, Edwin E.	D 1946
Sept. 12, 1866	Hoyer, Aaron D.	R 1882
Apr. 21, 1874	Hoyer, Adam K.	R 1888
Nov. 4, 1902	Hoyer, John F.	
Jan. 1, 1918	Huber, Oscar M.	D 1931
Apr. 3, 1860	Hughes, George W.	D 1889
Mar. 7, 1939	Hughes, Roland J.	
Sept. 23, 1851	Humbert, William K.	S 1852
Apr. 7, 1868	Humphrey, Thomas E.	D 1915
July 23, 1946	Hunsberger, Thomas I.	
Jan. 7, 1941	Hunt, Clarence V., Jr.	
Oct. 22, 1929	Hunt, Davis T.	
Apr. 2, 1907	Hunter, Daniel H.	D 1941
May 3, 1921	Hunter, Edward C.	D 1938
May 1, 1877	Huntzinger, Franklin K.	D 1921
Feb. 4, 1913	Hutchinson, Lucius J.	D 1940
Dec. 14, 1865	Huth, Henry	D 1892
Apr. 4, 1916	Huyett, Garson L.	
Apr. 6, 1937	Huyett, W. Lauer	
June 7, 1864	Hynecka, George	S 1878

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Apr. 3, 1917	Ibach, Irwin C.
Oct. 5, 1915	Imber, Joseph
Oct. 7, 1930	ImHof, Rudolf
Dec. 2, 1930	Immel, Amos R.

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Jan. 7, 1850	Jackson, J. Timothy	D 1901
June 3, 1902	Jacobi, George Nicholas	S 1916
Sept. 4, 1855	Jacoby, Simon	R 1858
Nov. 1, 1904	James, Edward E.	D 1943
June 1, 1915	James, Edward M.	
Oct. 7, 1890	James, Edward W.	D 1925
Sept. 2, 1851	James, Rees	R 1854
June 4, 1907	James, William H.	
Nov. 19, 1850	Jeffrey, Struthers	D 1900
June 8, 1848	Jeffrey, William	D 1863
June 5, 1923	Jennings, Clarence J.	
Mar. 7, 1899	Jennings, Chester B.	D 1913
May 3, 1892	Johnson, Harvey C.	D 1928
May 7, 1889	Johnson, James C.	D 1940
Nov. 3, 1942	Johnston, Charles A.	
Sept. 6, 1910	Johnston, Henry R.	
June 1, 1926	Johnston, William H.	
Mar. 6, 1882	Jones, Arthur E.	D 1928
Mar. 1, 1938	Jones, Arthur L.	
Sept. 3, 1918	Jones, Augustus F.	
Feb. 21, 1948	Jones, Burton R.	
May 7, 1872	Jones, D. Young	D 1883
Sept. 2, 1856	Jones, Eli W.	D 1902
May 18, 1918	Jones, Howard A.	S 1938
Sept. 3, 1918	Jones, Jesse J.	S 1936
July 19, 1865	Jones, Samuel B.	D 1913
Aug. 20, 1872	Jones, Thomas	D 1889
Apr. 3, 1855	Jones, Wellington	D 1881
Apr. 19, 1851	Jordan, William L.	R 1871
Mar. 3, 1942	Joseph, Loy E.	

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Jan. 29, 1920	Kachel, Lewis M.	
May 2, 1911	Kamm, Herbert H.	S 1935
June 4, 1918	Kauffman, George R. H.	
Feb. 25, 1946	Kauffman, John George	
Feb. 7, 1893	Kauffmann, Harry J.	
Sept. 6, 1910	Kauffmann, James K.	D 1906
Dec. 19, 1871	Kaufman, Hiram Y.	S 1889
Nov. 3, 1891	Kaufmann, Adolph	D 1943
Feb. 3, 1891	Kaufmann, John	D 1926
Feb. 1, 1927	Keboch, William H.	
Mar. 7, 1916	Keech, William R.	
Nov. 2, 1926	Keeler, Ralph W.	D 1932

Mar. 7, 1893	Keeley, John W.	D 1928
Oct. 7, 1919	Keener, Lloyd J.	
Apr. 3, 1906	Keepert, Amos E.	D 1937
Mar. 5, 1861	Keever, Elijah F.	D 1925
May 18, 1867	Keever, John S.	D 1899
June 3, 1902	Kehl, William H.	D 1936
June 24, 1947	Kehm, Harry C.	
Mar. 2, 1920	Keim, A. Rudolph	
Oct. 1, 1912	Keim, Benneville S.	
Nov. 5, 1912	Keim, Daniel J.	D 1940
May 26, 1915	Keim, Granville M.	S 1942
Apr. 21, 1874	Keim, Othniel A.	D 1915
May 12, 1864	Keinert, Benneville	S 1891
Sept. 4, 1855	Keiser, George M.	R 1857
Oct. 1, 1901	Keller, William B.	D 1930
Mar. 1, 1910	Kelly, Charles H.	D 1923
Dec. 16, 1911	Kelly, Walter H.	
June 6, 1871	Kelly, William H.	D 1896
Feb. 4, 1908	Kemp, George W.	S 1935
July 7, 1908	Kemp, L. Scott	
Apr. 17, 1868	Kendall, Henry T.	R 1887
Feb. 2, 1909	Kendig, Cleon R.	D 1931
Apr. 7, 1914	Kephart, Clement	
May 23, 1919	Kephart, Harry D.	
Dec. 5, 1944	Kephart, S. Bruce	
May 5, 1936	Kepner, Edward L.	
Feb. 17, 1917	Kepner, Howard	
Mar. 19, 1872	Keppel, Samuel B.	D 1903
Mar. 7, 1865	Kern, George W.	D 1882
Dec. 20, 1919	Kern, Harry F.	
Dec. 27, 1851	Kerper, Henry	D 1916
Dec. 2, 1947	Kerry, Marshall	
Apr. 6, 1897	Kershner, Irvin U.	
Mar. 2, 1886	Kershner, William J.	R 1906
July 6, 1858	Kerst, Elias D.	D 1909
Dec. 6, 1881	Kerst, George W.	D 1938
Feb. 7, 1860	Kessler, Conrad	R 1866
Feb. 4, 1919	Kieser, William H.	D 1931
Nov. 3, 1908	Kiesling, Charles H.	D 1937
June 4, 1872	Killian, John D.	S 1873
Dec. 22, 1923	Killian, Rudolph L.	
Dec. 22, 1891	Kinch, H. Augustus	D 1917
Apr. 2, 1895	Kinch, William F.	
Feb. 2, 1897	King, Daniel	D 1927
Apr. 5, 1921	King, Frederick R.	
Dec. 16, 1916	King, George A.	

May 23, 1919	Kingkinger, George W.	D 1938
Sept. 22, 1891	Kingkinger, Harry D.	D 1910
Jan. 24, 1920	Kingkinger, Robert W.	D 1929
June 5, 1860	Kinsey, Gideon S.	S 1896
Mar. 4, 1919	Kinsey, Ralph W.	
Dec. 4, 1860	Kinsey, Thomas P.	D 1887
June 4, 1867	Kinzer, George W.	S 1869
Apr. 4, 1854	Kirk, Hiram	S 1886
June 6, 1854	Kirk, Lewis	D 1867
Apr. 5, 1927	Kirn, Charles L.	
Aug. 3, 1886	Kirst, Jacob S.	S 1905
June 3, 1919	Kissinger, J. Herbert	
Oct. 3, 1854	Kissinger, John, Jr.	D 1908
May 19, 1849	Kissinger, Reuben C.	D 1883
Apr. 5, 1910	Kissinger, Robert E.	S 1935
Aug. 30, 1944	Kitzmiller, Charles M.	
Mar. 2, 1897	Klahr, Frank W.	D 1935
May 4, 1926	Kleckner, Russell R.	
Mar. 1, 1921	Klein, Edward M.	D 1939
Feb. 2, 1904	Kline, Chester M.	R 1916
Oct. 1, 1912	Kline, Heber S.	S 1936
Mar. 18, 1922	Kline, LeRoy W.	D 1943
Sept. 23, 1864	Kline, Mahlon	S 1886
Nov. 6, 1866	Kline, Samuel S.	S 1869
Aug. 15, 1871	Kline, William	D 1919
Feb. 19, 1921	Kline, William H.	D 1941
Feb. 21, 1865	Klink, Charles F.	S 1889
July 15, 1864	Klink, Daniel H.	D 1919
Mar. 13, 1855	Knabb, Jacob	D 1889
Aug. 15, 1871	Knabb, Jacob D.	D 1876
Feb. 1, 1921	Knabb, James I. G.	
Dec. 12, 1925	Knapp, E. Stanley	
Nov. 1, 1904	Knaub, Melvin R.	S 1947
Nov. 25, 1873	Knauer, Christopher C.	D 1914
Mar. 16, 1867	Knauer, David	D 1886
May 2, 1905	Knauer, Griffith Davis	D 1915
Sept. 22, 1868	Knauer, Hezekiah J.	D 1923
Mar. 1, 1921	Knaut, Henry M.	
May 16, 1916	Knisely, Bernard R.	D 1942
Apr. 1, 1924	Knoll, Paul F.	
Apr. 26, 1945	Knoll, Wayne F.	
May 6, 1852	Knopp, George L.	D 1891
Oct. 5, 1852	Knoske, Edward C.	S 1878
Oct. 7, 1924	Knouse, Walter E.	
Sept. 6, 1859	Knox, William M.	D 1862
Sept. 19, 1854	Koch, Henry	S 1902

Apr. 15, 1863	Koch, James	D 1887
Nov. 27, 1944	Koch, Richard W.	
Oct. 16, 1866	Koch, William H.	S 1899
Dec. 5, 1914	Kocher, Ralph N.	
Sept. 7, 1920	Kohl, Edward S.	
Nov. 4, 1913	Kohlins, William N.	R 1920
May 26, 1925	Koons, Willard F.	
Oct. 5, 1943	Korb, Harry D.	
Oct. 4, 1892	Kostenbader, Gideon B.	D 1935
Nov. 4, 1930	Kozonis, Konstantine M.	
Nov. 22, 1922	Kramer, Theodore Z.	
Feb. 1, 1881	Krause, Cyrus H.	D 1935
Dec. 12, 1908	Krauss, Curtis E.	
Nov. 3, 1908	Kreamer, Edward H.	D 1925
Mar. 26, 1927	Krebs, W. Stanley	
Dec. 7, 1920	Kreidler, Henry D.	
Mar. 30, 1921	Kreidler, Homer F.	
May 1, 1866	Kreisher, Benneville J.	D 1887
Mar. 6, 1923	Kreisher, Walter S.	D 1935
May 5, 1925	Kreiter, Robert E.	D 1938
Feb. 1, 1916	Krick, Charles R.	D 1946
June 2, 1908	Krick, Charles W.	
Aug. 17, 1875	Krick, George M.	D 1917
Dec. 10, 1910	Krick, John W.	
Feb. 21, 1871	Krick, Levan M.	S 1882
Dec. 22, 1922	Krick, Luther H.	D 1930
Dec. 12, 1908	Krick, P. Monroe	D 1934
Sept. 7, 1937	Krieger, Henry	
Mar. 2, 1858	Krouse, John C.	D 1865
Feb. 5, 1907	Kuebler, John	D 1917
May 27, 1946	Kulp, Herbert J.	
Feb. 4, 1908	Kurtz, Adam	D 1920
Sept. 30, 1947	Kuser, Elwood	
Jan. 13, 1863	Kutz, Adam	D 1876
June 6, 1905	Kutz, Bernard L.	D 1919
July 26, 1893	Kutz, Franklin S.	D 1940

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Apr. 7, 1857	Lambert, Lewis D.	D 1857
Mar. 23, 1854	Lambert, Theodore A.	D 1863
Mar. 6, 1928	Lamm, William A.	
Oct. 7, 1947	Lampros, Andrew G.	
Jan. 29, 1946	Lampros, N. George	
Oct. 2, 1894	Lance, George F., Jr.	
Feb. 7, 1893	Lance, John P.	D 1913

Nov. 29, 1921	Landis, Harold O.	
Jan. 1, 1849	Lantz, Henry A.	R 1861
Mar. 2, 1920	Latshaw, Harry P.	
Aug. 20, 1866	Laucks, Henry R.	D 1893
Apr. 1, 1919	Laucks, Israel R.	D 1941
June 28, 1870	Landau, John H.	S 1889
Dec. 7, 1912	Lauer, Carl F.	
Dec. 16, 1873	Lauer, Franklin P.	D 1926
Aug. 5, 1873	Lauer, George F.	S 1922
Sept. 19, 1871	Lawrence, Isaac	S 1896
Apr. 4, 1865	Leader, Horatio	D 1899
Mar. 3, 1903	Leaman, Davis H.	S 1937
Apr. 17, 1866	Leaman, William K.	D 1922
Dec. 19, 1871	Leas, William	D 1879
July 2, 1907	Lechner, Leroy Y.	R 1925
Mar. 25, 1946	Leckrone, Edward R.	
Mar. 13, 1855	Lees, Thomas	D 1865
Apr. 2, 1929	Leffler, Bard E. M.	
May 7, 1907	Leffler, Raymond M.	
May 27, 1946	Leger, Irvin A.	
Jan. 2, 1934	Leiby, Bennett B.	
May 7, 1901	Leiby, Oscar J.	D 1907
Jan. 1, 1901	Leidy, Thomas K.	
Oct. 6, 1908	Leinbach, Charles H.	D 1926
Mar. 1, 1921	Leinbach, Clarence B.	S 1935
Oct. 7, 1913	Leinbach, Howard M.	
Feb. 1, 1881	Leinbach, Jacob L. S.	S 1886
Apr. 4, 1916	Leinbach, John E.	D 1938
Apr. 23, 1919	Leinbach, Paul B.	S 1931
June 6, 1882	Leinbach, Thomas C.	D 1893
Oct. 30, 1947	Leinbach, Thomas C.	
Oct. 9, 1920	Leinbach, Thomas K.	
June 5, 1917	Leininger, Charles M.	
Mar. 5, 1895	Leininger, Daniel L.	S 1904
Oct. 4, 1910	Leininger, George H.	D 1935
Dec. 15, 1917	Leininger, Stephen C.	
May 8, 1920	Lengel, Charles B.	D 1947
Dec. 7, 1918	Lengel, Jerome K.	S 1936
Oct. 4, 1864	Lenhart, Jacob, Jr.	S 1875
June 4, 1914	Lenhart, Richard T.	D 1931
June 2, 1874	Lerch, William J.	D 1889
Jan. 25, 1927	Lesher, Alfred C.	S 1946
Dec. 10, 1910	Lesher, Ellwood L.	S 1943
Dec. 1, 1914	Lesher, Hoyer	
Mar. 25, 1946	Lesher, Lawrence Y.	
Jan. 25, 1927	Lesher, Lester W.	

Sept. 17, 1915	LeVan, George M.	D 1946
May 6, 1856	Levan, Henry R.	S 1861
Dec. 7, 1920	LeVan, Homer R.	
Feb. 3, 1857	Levan, Isaac N.	D 1892
Feb. 24, 1925	Lewis, Edmund L.	R 1934
Sept. 1, 1862	Lewis, Henry A.	D 1915
Oct. 15, 1872	Lewis, John W.	S 1896
Apr. 16, 1872	Lewis, Raymond B.	D 1919
Oct. 8, 1864	Lewis, William R.	D 1891
Sept. 6, 1910	Lichty, Melvin M.	
May 2, 1922	Light, Roderick H.	R 1931
Sept. 6, 1887	Lightner, Isaac N.	D 1929
Mar. 13, 1855	Lightner, Milton C.	R 1861
May 4, 1848	Lilly, John O. D.	D 1888
Feb. 5, 1849	Lilly, William	R 1849
Oct. 5, 1858	Lindencugle, Peter	D 1887
Feb. 6, 1855	Linderman, John F.	D 1892
Nov. 22, 1922	Linderman, Richard H.	
Nov. 7, 1899	Linderman, Warren F.	D 1942
Jan. 7, 1908	Link, Irvin	R 1922
June 7, 1910	Link, William C.	D 1918
May 26, 1915	Littlehales, Donald C.	D 1947
Oct. 2, 1917	Littlehales, Robert F.	
May 15, 1866	Livingood, William H.	D 1906
June 7, 1881	Lloyd, John S.	S 1891
Aug. 9, 1944	Loash, William E.	
Jan. 6, 1920	Loewen, A. Herbert	
Feb. 6, 1923	Long, Wilbur B.	S 1937
Feb. 7, 1922	Long, William Grant	
Oct. 8, 1864	Longacre, William H.	D 1899
Feb. 2, 1943	Loose, Stanley W.	
Dec. 7, 1918	Loose, Winfield W.	D 1927
Feb. 4, 1919	Lorah, Clarence R.	
Jan. 2, 1923	Lorah, Henry A.	
Mar. 4, 1930	Lord, Hunter	D 1935
Apr. 5, 1904	Lord, Luther W.	
Apr. 4, 1922	Lord, Ralph W.	
Mar. 27, 1947	Lord, Rexford D., Sr.	
Mar. 28, 1924	Lord, Robert I.	S 1935
Sept. 4, 1894	Loser, William A.	D 1901
Aug. 7, 1866	Lott, Adam	D 1867
Aug. 7, 1863	Lott, William	S 1878
Sept. 2, 1856	Lotz, Joseph H.	D 1895
Mar. 6, 1855	Lowe, David H.	S 1857
Jan. 11, 1849		E 1868
Dec. 26, 1849	Lowe, Lewis	D 1885

Feb. 16, 1855	Lowe, Sylvanus V.	D 1898
Oct. 3, 1911	Lowe, William J.	D 1939
Mar. 2, 1915	Lowery, Thomas A.	D 1946
Jan. 27, 1945	Ludwig, David Richard	
Mar. 6, 1906	Ludwig, David V. R.	D 1924
Dec. 1, 1885	Ludwig, Eli V. R.	D 1941
Sept. 28, 1926	Ludwig, John A.	
Oct. 3, 1905	Ludwig, Walter S.	
July 6, 1858	Lufkins, Horatio	D 1861
Oct. 5, 1920	Luigard, Gordon R.	S 1935
Dec. 7, 1918	Luppold, Carl F.	
July 26, 1893	Lutz, Harry J.	D 1908
Mar. 10, 1923	Lutz, Ira R.	D 1943
June 3, 1873	Lutz, Lewis H.	S 1898
Oct. 7, 1913	Lutz, Robert M.	D 1945
Dec. 11, 1920	Lutz, Robert M., Jr.	
June 28, 1927	Lynn, Charles E.	D 1932

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June 3, 1919		E 1924
Mar. 27, 1947	McCallicher, Russell	
July 15, 1858	McCarter, James M.	S 1869
Sept. 8, 1910	McCauley, Walter L.	
Aug. 2, 1904	McConnell, Jacob H.	
Dec. 12, 1925	McCoy, Ralph E.	
July 17, 1849	McDonnell, Samuel	D 1873
Nov. 1, 1904	McDowell, Archibald S.	D 1945
July 17, 1849	McFarlan, William	D 1860
Oct. 3, 1922	McGrath, Leroy W.	
Dec. 17, 1909	McGray, Raymond K.	S 1930
Nov. 5, 1912	McHose, Edwin D.	D 1918
Nov. 1, 1921	McKently, Daniel J.	
Oct. 5, 1909	McKinney, Elmer E.	S 1935
Nov. 16, 1869	McLean, Daniel J.	D 1917
Aug. 2, 1853	McLean, Joseph A.	D 1862
Nov. 1, 1853	McManus, Redmund	S 1878
Dec. 17, 1909	McNall, William F.	
Aug. 12, 1851	McNaughton, Samuel	S 1859
Oct. 3, 1944	McNear, Edgar, Sr.	

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Nov. 7, 1899	Machmer, Fred M.	
Sept. 5, 1939	Madeira, Clarence J.	
Dec. 14, 1866	Madeira, James S.	D 1891
Oct. 8, 1921	Madrano, Daniel M.	S 1935

Oct. 4, 1887	Magill, William	D 1898
June 24, 1947	Maier, Paul S.	
Oct. 5, 1920	Manderbach, George D.	
Mar. 6, 1928	Manderbach, George W.	
Nov. 15, 1919	Manderbach, Roy G.	
Sept. 4, 1866	Mansfield, Henry	S 1896
Feb. 19, 1921	Manzke, Harry F.	
Jan. 1, 1907	Marburger, Daniel G. W.	
Apr. 5, 1921	Marburger, Harvey C.	
May 5, 1885	March, Isaac F.	D 1906
Feb. 1, 1898	March, Isaac L.	R 1925
June 4, 1895	Markley, Charles H.	D 1900
Jan. 7, 1919	Markley, John B.	D 1928
Sept. 4, 1894	Markley, William A.	
June 2, 1925	Marks, Elmer S.	
Mar. 30, 1944	Marks, Frederick J.	
Aug. 6, 1918	Marks, Frederick L.	
Oct. 1, 1849	Marshall, Robert	D 1874
Apr. 6, 1920	Martin, Raymond K.	
May 4, 1848	Mason, Eliphalet H.	R 1849
Aug. 6, 1850	Mason, William	S 1853
May 12, 1864	Mass, Edmund A.	D 1896
July 20, 1869	Masseno, Joseph	S 1873
June 22, 1848	Mast, Jacob B.	D 1880
Nov. 26, 1946	Mathey, Lawrence A.	
Mar. 1, 1881	Mattern, William	D 1921
Nov. 28, 1925	Matternes, Lawrence A.	S 1940
Nov. 1, 1892	Matthews, George	D 1916
Apr. 19, 1851	Matthews, John O.	S 1875
Sept. 22, 1891	Maurer, Allen E.	D 1913
Jan. 16, 1920	Maurer, George E.	
May 28, 1947	Maurer, Samuel H.	
Mar. 3, 1908	Maurer, Samuel S.	
Sept. 13, 1863	Maxton, John B.	S 1872
Apr. 4, 1893	Mayers, George W.	D 1944
Nov. 2, 1920	Meck, Harold R.	S 1940
Oct. 5, 1897	Mellert, Albert H.	D 1943
Sept. 13, 1863	Mellert, Arnold	R 1866
May 23, 1865	Mellert, Magnus	D 1889
Dec. 7, 1864	Mellert, Otto	S 1889
Mar. 3, 1874	Mengel, George H.	S 1891
Mar. 3, 1874	Mengel, Isaac	S 1889
Jan. 7, 1896	Mengel, J. Hain	D 1932
Oct. 1, 1907	Menges, Harry F.	
Oct. 1, 1912	Menkhous, Norman F.	D 1922
Dec. 1, 1863	Meredith, John F.	S 1886

Dec. 22, 1947	Merkel, Samuel E.	
Nov. 7, 1914	Mervine, John F.	
Jan. 29, 1920	Messner, Roy	
June 2, 1931	Metz, Donald E.	
Oct. 26, 1903	Metzger, Harry G.	D 1910
Jan. 3, 1922	Meyers, Charles S.	
Apr. 1, 1902	Miller, Aaron	
Apr. 3, 1894	Miller, Albert	D 1930
May 26, 1915	Miller, Arthur D.	D 1924
Apr. 15, 1910	Miller, Arthur S.	S 1936
Dec. 5, 1865	Miller, Charles B.	D 1896
Dec. 15, 1868	Miller, Charles B.	S 1873
Dec. 20, 1919	Miller, Chester A.	
Aug. 20, 1867	Miller, Daniel K.	R 1896
Nov. 3, 1931	Miller, Ellis H.	
Feb. 2, 1909	Miller, Elmer D.	
May 1, 1928	Miller, George	
May 3, 1904	Miller, George A.	
Nov. 3, 1921	Miller, George N.	D 1935
Mar. 4, 1850	Miller, George W.	D 1882
June 6, 1905	Miller, George W.	D 1924
Oct. 1, 1912	Miller, George W.	D 1930
June 18, 1921	Miller, Harrison W.	D 1939
Mar. 16, 1867	Miller, Isaiah	D 1872
Nov. 1, 1921	Miller, James F.	S 1922
May 5, 1903	Miller, John Walter	R 1910
Feb. 7, 1928	Miller, Leroy K.	
Feb. 2, 1909	Miller, Martin L.	D 1933
June 5, 1917	Miller, Oscar E.	
May 16, 1916	Miller, Peter B.	D 1947
Sept. 4, 1945	Miller, Ralph J.	
Mar. 27, 1947	Miller, Richard E.	
Aug. 1, 1905	Miller, Robert C.	D 1927
Nov. 1, 1910	Miller, Robert J.	D 1940
Apr. 23, 1919	Miller, Solen H. S.	D 1946
Sept. 1, 1908	Miller, Solomon S.	
Feb. 1, 1910	Miller, Thomas	D 1933
Apr. 2, 1929	Miller, Ulysses W.	
Nov. 4, 1919	Miller, Vincent L.	
Nov. 7, 1944	Miller, Vincent N.	
Apr. 6, 1943	Miller, Warren R.	
May 25, 1921	Miller, William A.	
June 3, 1850	Millholland, James	D 1875
Feb. 5, 1918	Millie, Richard W.	R 1923
Mar. 6, 1894	Milmore, Morris H.	S 1900
Aug. 20, 1867	Milmore, Samuel	D 1911

July 22, 1873	Mishler, John H.	D 1897
Oct. 2, 1900	Mishler, Mahlon H.	D 1910
Oct. 18, 1870	Missimer, Harrison M.	D 1928
June 4, 1895	Mitchell, Morris	S 1902
June 4, 1907	Mitchell, Percy S.	D 1912
Apr. 4, 1882	Mitchell, William J.	D 1905
Mar. 6, 1888	Mock, Howard A.	R 1888
Jan. 29, 1920	Mohn, Harry G.	
Mar. 28, 1924	Mohn, John D.	
Nov. 15, 1870	Mohn, John G.	D 1932
Jan. 3, 1922	Mohn, Robert P.	D 1946
Jan. 29, 1920	Mohn, W. Wayne	
June 28, 1870	Mohr, Charles S.	D 1871
Sept. 5, 1899	Mohr, Howard C.	
June 16, 1868	Mohr, J. Jacob	R 1907
Nov. 16, 1866	Mohr, William S.	D 1934
Oct. 5, 1886	Moore, Edwin A.	D 1923
Dec. 6, 1887	Moore, Elmer E.	D 1888
Apr. 6, 1909	Moore, Harry C.	D 1931
Mar. 2, 1909	Moore, John O.	
Mar. 4, 1884	Moore, Jonathan W.	D 1919
Sept. 5, 1899	Moore, Llewellyn J.	D 1912
June 24, 1947	Moore, Walter J.	
Mar. 6, 1855	Moore, William	R 1857
Dec. 7, 1920	Moreland, William E.	D 1932
Oct. 1, 1849	Morgan, Richard U.	R 1850
Nov. 15, 1919	Morris, George B.	S 1943
Dec. 6, 1921	Morris, George S. K.	
Mar. 13, 1852	Morris, John L. L.	D 1879
Feb. 17, 1917	Morris, Thomas W.	
Apr. 11, 1908	Morris, W. Harry	D 1910
Apr. 4, 1922	Morris, Wm. Arthur	
Jan. 29, 1946	Morrison, Cameron E.	
Feb. 5, 1884	Morrison, John W.	D 1929
Nov. 16, 1866	Moser, William H.	S 1882
Jan. 29, 1920	Mosser, Charles J.	
Mar. 2, 1920	Mosser, M. Amandus	
Apr. 5, 1910	Moyer, Frederick C.	D 1917
Oct. 5, 1920	Moyer, Harry W.	
June 30, 1919	Moyer, Herbert J.	
May 5, 1857	Moyer, J. Linington	D 1882
May 4, 1948	Moyer, James H.	
June 7, 1921	Moyer, John B.	S 1931
Sept. 5, 1862	Moyer, John K.	D 1888
Feb. 4, 1913	Moyer, Joseph K.	
Feb. 5, 1918	Moyer, Norman S.	

Mar. 10, 1923	Moyer, Paul B.	
Aug. 7, 1906	Moyer, Raymond E.	R 1908
Oct. 7, 1856	Moyer, William A.	R 1857
May 2, 1922	Moyer, William A.	
Apr. 1, 1850	Mull, Edwin	S 1857
Sept. 23, 1864	Mull, Josiah	D 1914
June 8, 1848	Mulligan, James	D 1880
Aug. 5, 1851	Mullin, James	D 1878
Nov. 2, 1920	Muntz, Herbert J.	
Aug. 6, 1907	Musser, Franklin B.	D 1940
Jan. 6, 1920	Musser, Wayne L.	S 1936
Feb. 4, 1890	Muthart, Lewis P.	
July 2, 1895	Myers, Frank S.	R 1904
Apr. 6, 1915	Myers, Harvey G.	D 1931
Apr. 7, 1857	Myers, Henry R.	S 1878
Jan. 6, 1920	Myers, Howard W.	
Mar. 26, 1927	Myers, Merritt W.	

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Mar. 25, 1930	Nagle, Irwin W., Jr.	S 1936
Feb. 15, 1918	Nagle, William L.	
June 11, 1910	Nau, Frederick C.	D 1925
Apr. 5, 1921	Neatock, Arthur S.	
Mar. 20, 1920	Neider, Harry G.	D 1946
July 3, 1894	Neider, John Henry	D 1903
Sept. 24, 1919	Neidig, Earl D.	
Oct. 5, 1920	Neidig, Raymond	
Jan. 29, 1947	Neidig, Raymond S.	
July 26, 1850	Nelson, John	D 1896
Feb. 7, 1854	Neudoerffer, Louis	D 1884
Dec. 5, 1914	Newcomet, Henry I.	D 1919
May 23, 1919	News, John A.	D 1933
Oct. 3, 1939	Nice, Franklin M.	
Aug. 7, 1883	Nies, Samuel E.	D 1914
Nov. 7, 1911	Noecker, Alpheus S.	D 1935
Dec. 7, 1886	Nolde, John S.	D 1891
Apr. 3, 1917	Noll, George M.	
Nov. 17, 1868	Nyce, John O.	D 1900

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June 4, 1867	Oaks, William A. C.	D 1917
Oct. 7, 1856	Oberly, John H.	R 1857
Aug. 1, 1876	Oberly, L. Frederick	S 1904
May 25, 1921	O'Reilley, George L.	D 1933
Oct. 3, 1905	Orff, J. Henry	

Mar. 3, 1874	Orr, Jesse	D 1892
July 3, 1892	Orr, W. Harry	D 1938
Dec. 2, 1930	Ortlip, Harold B.	
Dec. 11, 1920	Ott, Francis I.	
May 3, 1904	Otto, Harry W.	D 1915

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Oct. 26, 1926	Painter, Harold G.	
May 26, 1925	Palm, Edwin F.	
Oct. 27, 1920	Palm, John F.	D 1937
May 28, 1929	Parsons, Herbert L.	
Nov. 27, 1944	Pasayotis, George N.	
July 2, 1918	Passmore, Levi T.	
Jan. 5, 1867	Patterson, Hampton L.	D 1910
Jan. 4, 1927	Paulsgrove, Clarence H.	S 1940
Apr. 4, 1854	Paxson, Levi B.	D 1909
June 15, 1869	Pearsoll, Francis M.	D 1874
Jan. 1, 1924	Peck, Harrison A.	
Jan. 4, 1921	Peck, William M.	D 1945
Jan. 4, 1927	Peck, William M., Jr.	
Jan. 4, 1927	Pehlman, Herbert A.	
Dec. 20, 1919	Perpetua, LeRoy A.	D 1946
Aug. 5, 1851	Peterman, George, Jr.	S 1861
Feb. 25, 1946	Peters, Bruce	
Apr. 7, 1923	Peters, George W.	
Mar. 15, 1919	Peters, Warren L.	
Oct. 9, 1920	Pflum, Luther E.	
Apr. 17, 1866	Phelps, George W.	D 1893
Apr. 7, 1849	Phillippi, Amos	S 1853
Oct. 5, 1852	Phillippi, Charles L.	S 1864
Mar. 6, 1855	Phillips, Charles	R 1857
Mar. 2, 1909	Phillips, Frank H.	
June 6, 1916	Phillips, G. Edgar	
May 7, 1929	Phillips, H. Lester	
Oct. 5, 1909	Phillips, Howard C.	D 1919
Feb. 2, 1932	Phillips, Joseph A.	
July 20, 1869	Phillips, Robert	S 1889
Dec. 15, 1917	Phillips, William T.	D 1932
July 22, 1947	Piersol, Norman W.	
Oct. 26, 1903	Poorman, William	D 1933
Mar. 6, 1945	Postetter, David E.	
Aug. 3, 1943	Postetter, David E., Jr.	
Nov. 5, 1907	Potteiger, Clarence R.	
Nov. 5, 1889	Price, Henry	D 1917
Nov. 16, 1866	Printz, John H.	D 1904

Apr. 2, 1912	Printz, Robert W.	D 1935
Apr. 24, 1893	Prizer, Charles S.	S 1911
Nov. 2, 1888	Probert, Alexander W.	D 1898
Nov. 2, 1886	Prutzman, Jacob M.	R 1888
May 4, 1886	Prutzman, Walter	D 1924
July 26, 1850	Purves, John	D 1864

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Nov. 12, 1863	Quick, William	D 1895
Nov. 7, 1893	Quimby, Allen G.	D 1937
Nov. 25, 1854	Quimby, John	D 1862
June 2, 1908	Quimby, William McD.	
Dec. 7, 1918	Quinter, Truben	

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Apr. 3, 1855	Rahn, Adam	D 1891
Aug. 6, 1850	Ramage, John, Jr.	D 1882
Feb. 23, 1926	Rambo, Warren	
Oct. 6, 1908	Ranck, Henry H.	R 1915
Oct. 2, 1900	Rank, William H.	
Oct. 3, 1933	Rapp, Gerald	
Feb. 2, 1915	Rapp, John F.	S 1922
Mar. 20, 1866	Rapp, John R.	D 1873
Apr. 15, 1849	Rauch, Emanuel J.	D 1914
Oct. 18, 1852	Rauch, George W. N.	S 1886
Mar. 7, 1939	Rauch, Luther H.	
June 24, 1947	Rauch, Richard S.	
Apr. 6, 1909	Raudenbush, Henry J.	D 1939
July 3, 1894	Raudenbush, Richard B.	D 1924
Mar. 10, 1923	Rauenzahn, Leroy G.	
Aug. 6, 1889	Ream, Adam J.	D 1911
Apr. 2, 1907	Reber, Calvin P.	
Oct. 6, 1942	Reber, Charles L.	
June 5, 1860	Reber, James T.	S 1889
May 15, 1909	Reber, John Albert	D 1946
Nov. 6, 1928	Reber, Russell A.	S 1935
Nov. 5, 1940	Reber, Stanley B. F.	
Feb. 21, 1920	Reddig, John F.	D 1944
July 6, 1852	Redmund, Marks	D 1880
Feb. 7, 1939	Redsecker, Samuel	
Dec. 17, 1867	Reemssnyder, Henry	D 1876
Jan. 5, 1932	Reeser, Samuel H.	
Feb. 7, 1920	Regar, I. Carroll	
Oct. 1, 1907	Rehrer, J. Franklin	S 1942
Nov. 5, 1940	Reich, Harry W.	

Mar. 7, 1865	Reidnauer, Alfred	S 1891
Aug. 6, 1889	Reiff, Milton W.	S 1898
Sept. 1, 1925	Reifsnyder, Claude A.	
Feb. 9, 1924	Reifsnyder, Franklin L.	
Jan. 21, 1851	Reifsnyder, William E.	D 1908
Aug. 23, 1943	Reimert, Paul W.	
Jan. 1, 1918	Reinert, Percy J.	
Nov. 15, 1919	Reinhard, John H.	
Sept. 2, 1884	Reinhold, J. Henry	D 1912
Sept. 1, 1942	Reiniger, George L., Jr.	
Mar. 20, 1920	Reiniger, John G.	
Apr. 6, 1909	Reinsmith, Charles S.	S 1935
Dec. 4, 1919	Reiter, Roland	
Mar. 6, 1923	Reitz, Charles S.	D 1947
Nov. 5, 1912	Reitz, Wilson W.	
Sept. 22, 1891	Remppis, Eugene F.	S 1908
Nov. 7, 1914	Renninger, Bayard L.	
Mar. 5, 1901	Rentschler, Harry F.	D 1942
June 5, 1934	Reppert, C. Lester	S 1941
Feb. 7, 1888	Rettew, Jacob H.	S 1903
Oct. 6, 1921	Rhein, David	D 1924
July 2, 1861	Rhoads, Darius G.	R 1869
June 3, 1913	Rhoads, George R.	D 1937
Jan. 17, 1865	Rhoads, Henry J.	D 1903
Oct. 25, 1927	Rhoads, Wilson G.	D 1939
May 4, 1875	Rhode, Peter A.	D 1881
Feb. 7, 1922	Ribble, Howard E.	
Mar. 5, 1895	Ribble, William H., Jr.	D 1911
Feb. 7, 1920	Richards, Charles E.	
Sept. 9, 1864	Richards, Henry J.	S 1909
Dec. 5, 1876	Richards, Howard M.	S 1896
Dec. 2, 1856	Richards, Thomas M.	D 1908
Jan. 2, 1917	Richardson, Edgar S.	D 1945
Nov. 3, 1903	Richardson, Frank E.	S 1936
Jan. 5, 1864	Rickenbach, E. Charles	S 1872
May 3, 1864	Rick, Charles, Jr.	D 1909
July 5, 1859	Rieger, Henry	R 1866
Jan. 6, 1903	Riegner, Austin H.	
Jan. 6, 1920	Riegner, Dallas W.	
Sept. 24, 1919	Rigel, John K.	S 1920
Jan. 21, 1851	Riley, David	D 1863
July 7, 1862	Ringler, Charles A.	D 1884
Nov. 2, 1926	Rist, Charles A.	
Oct. 18, 1852	Ritter, Ferdinand S.	D 1898
May 3, 1927	Ritter, Grover D.	
Aug. 5, 1856	Ritter, Hiram C.	D 1891

Apr. 4, 1865	Ritter, Jacob R.	S 1902
Jan. 7, 1913	Ritter, William M.	D 1934
Oct. 5, 1852	Ritter, William S.	D 1891
Jan. 6, 1920	Ritzman, Orson N.	S 1927
Dec. 4, 1855	Robeson, Samuel	S 1903
Apr. 26, 1870	Robinson, Isaac E.	D 1882
Mar. 17, 1868	Robinson, Joseph R.	D 1883
Apr. 26, 1946	Robinson, Paul H.	
Aug. 4, 1908	Robison, Samuel R.	D 1920
June 1, 1937	Robison, Charles R.	
Dec. 11, 1909	Robison, Walter J.	D 1939
Apr. 3, 1888	Rockey, Leonard H.	D 1926
Dec. 16, 1873	Rodgers, Edmund	D 1911
Apr. 6, 1920	Roeder, David	
Nov. 7, 1916	Roeser, Philip E.	
Oct. 6, 1885	Rogers, William M.	D 1933
Oct. 6, 1925	Rohland, W. Otto	
Apr. 15, 1910	Rohrbach, Jonathan F.	
Sept. 24, 1919	Rohrbach, Warren F.	
Jan. 5, 1867	Roland, Isaac S.	D 1901
July 13, 1848	Roland, James M.	D 1907
Sept. 5, 1893	Roland, Matthias	D 1937
Oct. 3, 1916	Roland, Warren G.	
June 6, 1922	Roland, Zeno	
Feb. 6, 1923	Rollman, Charles E.	S 1936
Jan. 5, 1924	Rollman, Harvey P.	
Jan. 4, 1887	Rollman, Joshua R.	D 1888
Apr. 4, 1905	Romich, Clifford F.	D 1913
Feb. 22, 1947	Romig, S. Warren	
Mar. 5, 1889	Romig, Wilmot K.	D 1932
Nov. 15, 1870	Rorke, Benjamin F.	D 1914
Sept. 4, 1883	Rosenbaum, Philip	D 1918
Mar. 1, 1921	Ross, Clark F.	S 1922
Sept. 5, 1882	Rote, John F.	D 1907
Oct. 5, 1915	Roth, Daniel R.	S 1936
Oct. 22, 1929	Roth, Irvin E.	
June 3, 1919	Rothenberger, George E.	
Mar. 1, 1892	Rothermel, Ira P.	D 1947
Apr. 7, 1914	Rothermel, James M.	D 1918
July 26, 1893	Rothermel, John	R 1928
Dec. 22, 1923	Rothermel, John G.	
Oct. 30, 1919	Rothermel, Lewis O.	D 1943
Feb. 1, 1910	Rothermel, Robert O.	S 1935
Dec. 14, 1866	Rots, George W.	D 1925
Apr. 4, 1905	Row, John D.	D 1934
June 5, 1894	Rowe, J. William	D 1943

Feb. 17, 1874	Rowe, Joseph Z.	D 1913
Jan. 17, 1871	Rowe, William G.	D 1896
July 17, 1866	Rowland, Daniel W.	D 1919
Apr. 3, 1888	Royer, Edwin S.	D 1890
May 26, 1868	Royer, Isaac L.	D 1893
Oct. 17, 1871	Ruler, Charles G.	D 1875
Feb. 3, 1920	Runyeon, Charles H.	D 1932
Jan. 5, 1932	Runyeon, Clyde R.	
Sept. 2, 1924	Runyeon, D. Orion	D 1930
Apr. 6, 1920	Runyeon, George O., Jr.	
Nov. 3, 1925	Runyeon, Harold L.	
Dec. 5, 1922	Runyeon, Wilford C.	
Jan. 6, 1923	Rupp, Allen	
Nov. 26, 1946	Rupp, Charles C.	
Mar. 30, 1944	Russell, Wendell W.	
Oct. 16, 1883	Ruth, George W.	D 1929
Oct. 5, 1852	Ruth, Henry	D 1894
July 7, 1891	Ruth, John H.	D 1910
Feb. 1, 1910	Ruth, Lincoln G.	
Nov. 7, 1916	Ruth, Robert G.	
Dec. 29, 1945	Ruttenberg, Bertram L.	
Nov. 5, 1940	Ruttenberg, Louis	D 1946
Nov. 5, 1883	Rutz, Henry J.	D 1893

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Sept. 5, 1865	Sailor, Henry	R 1871
Mar. 5, 1895	Samuel, Isaac	D 1938
Aug. 7, 1883	Sands, Elmer E.	D 1901
Nov. 6, 1855	Sands, William A.	D 1897
Aug. 15, 1871	Sandt, Eugene I.	D 1933
Mar. 3, 1914	Sandt, J. Elmer	D 1941
Apr. 5, 1921	Saussaman, Walter A.	
Mar. 1, 1881	Saussen, John K.	S 1896
Dec. 2, 1851	Savage, James	R 1859
Mar. 17, 1868	Saylor, Benjamin	D 1910
Jan. 4, 1898	Saylor, Charles	
Oct. 22, 1864	Saylor, Charles A.	D 1921
July 5, 1892	Saylor, George S.	D 1917
June 5, 1923	Saylor, Grant	D 1926
Apr. 4, 1882	Saylor, Howard B.	D 1937
Feb. 1, 1921	Saylor, Joseph L.	
Nov. 7, 1911	Saylor, William P.	D 1942
Sept. 3, 1901	Schad, Harry J. G.	
June 7, 1921	Schaeffer, Carl W.	
July 5, 1904	Schaeffer, William G.	D 1920

Mar. 19, 1921	Schaeffer, William H.	
Jan. 16, 1920	Schaffer, Frank C.	
Dec. 16, 1911	Schanz, William K.	
Sept. 3, 1907	Scheib, William E.	D 1918
Oct. 30, 1945	Schellhamer, Elmer E.	D 1946
Apr. 6, 1926	Scherer, Herbert	D 1931
Mar. 20, 1866	Scherer, Jonathan	S 1872
Aug. 16, 1870	Scherer, Reuben W.	D 1903
June 2, 1885	Schick, Luther	S 1899
Dec. 22, 1947	Schilling, John L., Jr.	
Oct. 18, 1852	Schittler, Daniel	D 1864
Sept. 1, 1925	Schlegel, Carl A.	
Oct. 30, 1945	Schlegel, Glenn C.	
Nov. 15, 1919	Schlottman, John A.	
June 1, 1875	Schmehl, David T.	D 1935
June 3, 1884	Schmehl, Edwin T.	D 1932
Apr. 2, 1918	Schmehl, Harvey E.	
Oct. 2, 1917	Schmehl, Luther C.	
Nov. 19, 1872	Schmehl, William A. H.	S 1899
Mar. 4, 1930	Schnable, Charles H.	
Apr. 3, 1923	Schnable, Irvin	
Nov. 4, 1919	Schnable, Luther E.	
July 7, 1868	Schnader, Davis C.	R 1879
Mar. 21, 1865	Schneider, Frederick	R 1866
Dec. 18, 1920	Schoelpple, C. William	D 1946
Oct. 1, 1849	Schoener, Henry O.	D 1854
Oct. 3, 1854	Schoener, John O.	D 1874
Aug. 3, 1852	Schoener, William O.	D 1872
June 1, 1880	Schofer, Calvin	D 1884
May 5, 1896	Schofer, Franklin A.	D 1938
Dec. 15, 1928	Schrack, John H.	
Mar. 3, 1908	Schreck, Benjamin F.	D 1927
Jan. 16, 1920	Schreck, Elmer L.	D 1924
Apr. 17, 1852	Schroeder, Ferdinand	S 1855
Apr. 4, 1876	Schulte, William	S 1886
Jan. 16, 1920	Schultz, J. William	
Mar. 4, 1919	Schultz, Raymond A.	D 1942
Feb. 6, 1940	Schultz, William B.	
Feb. 4, 1902	Schuyler, Elmer	
Sept. 29, 1920	Schwartz, Stanley B.	
Jan. 5, 1867	Schwartz, William H.	D 1918
Dec. 22, 1922	Schweimler, Andrew L.	S 1945
Jan. 16, 1920	Schweimler, Stanley S.	
Oct. 28, 1946	Scott, Harry W.	
Nov. 4, 1902	Scott, Robert F.	
Apr. 1, 1919	Scott, William R.	D 1922

Oct. 6, 1931	Scoufis, Panagiotis D.	
May 16, 1916	Seaman, John F.	
Aug. 7, 1855	Searl, Thomas S.	R 1857
Feb. 21, 1920	Seibert, Henry F.	R 1943
May 3, 1904	Seibert, John H.	D 1911
Mar. 3, 1908	Seidel, Claude L.	
June 5, 1894	Seidel, Francis F.	D 1934
May 19, 1945	Seidel, Francis F. 2nd	
June 5, 1894	Seidel, Mahlon L.	D 1922
Apr. 4, 1905	Seidel, Titus L.	S 1940
Jan. 2, 1906	Seidel, William B.	S 1933
July 26, 1870	Seiders, Charles	D 1896
Dec. 2, 1879	Seiders, Charles W.	D 1938
Sept. 7, 1858	Seiders, Jeremiah	S 1907
Jan. 5, 1897	Seifert, Edward A.	S 1940
June 7, 1887	Seifert, John W.	S 1892
Jan. 6, 1914	Seifert, Ralph B.	
Aug. 20, 1872	Seitzinger, B. Franklin	S 1897
May 4, 1875	Seivard, Abraham	D 1909
Mar. 6, 1923	Sell, Aaron R.	
Mar. 6, 1928	Sell, Edwin H.	
Dec. 4, 1919	Sell, George H.	
Oct. 7, 1856	Sell, John H.	R 1857
Mar. 6, 1923	Sell, William A.	
May 7, 1867	Sellers, Calvin T.	D 1876
Oct. 19, 1869	Sellers, James P.	D 1917
Apr. 14, 1857	Sellers, Mahlon A.	D 1901
Oct. 7, 1919	Seltzer, Floyd A.	
Nov. 5, 1849	Seltzer, John H.	D 1892
Feb. 1, 1921	Seltzer, Lewis M.	D 1924
Nov. 17, 1868	Seltzer, William K.	D 1909
Feb. 4, 1890	Sembower, Clarence H.	D 1911
Dec. 12, 1908	Seyler, Edwin Y.	D 1929
Oct. 4, 1927	Seyler, Percival L.	
Nov. 22, 1922	Shadel, Elwood W.	D 1931
Feb. 7, 1854	Shadle, John	D 1900
Nov. 27, 1944	Shaeffer, John J.	
Apr. 17, 1866	Shaffer, Jacob	S 1875
Jan. 4, 1947	Shain, Edward D.	
June 26, 1928	Shanaman, Forrest R.	
Sept. 4, 1883	Shanaman, William F.	D 1939
May 6, 1884	Shank, John H.	D 1929
Oct. 1, 1895	Sharman, Charles W.	D 1947
May 4, 1875	Sharman, Henry H.	D 1907
Oct. 4, 1892	Sharman, Jonathan R.	D 1930
Apr. 5, 1904	Shartle, John	D 1913

Oct. 27, 1868	Sheaffer, Alfred B.	D 1909
Oct. 19, 1869	Sheaffer, John B.	S 1882
Oct. 7, 1919	Shearer, Charles D.	
Sept. 4, 1900	Shearer, Christian H.	S 1908
Dec. 22, 1922	Sheeler, LeRoy F.	
Apr. 6, 1920	Sheetz, H. Earl	
June 7, 1913	Shelton, James, Jr.	D 1930
Feb. 23, 1926	Shenberger, Claude J.	
Dec. 18, 1920	Shepherd, Percy E.	
Feb. 10, 1923	Sherman, A. Lewis	
June 3, 1913	Sherman, Samuel M.	
Jan. 4, 1947	Sherman, Samuel M., 2nd	
Feb. 4, 1908	Shindel, Harry F.	
Mar. 5, 1907	Shipe, Edward H.	D 1947
Aug. 7, 1906	Shipe, Frederick W.	
July 22, 1947	Shipe, Wayne M.	
Apr. 14, 1857	Shirey, Lyman	D 1897
Nov. 5, 1907	Shirk, Charles P.	S 1933
Oct. 26, 1926	Shirk, E. Paul	
Jan. 2, 1906	Shivelhood, Edward J.	D 1919
July 6, 1858	Shoemaker, Charles M.	S 1889
Sept 22, 1944	Shoener, E. Elmer	
May 7, 1889	Shomo, Harvey H.	D 1940
Mar. 5, 1907	Shomo, William A.	
Mar. 4, 1851	Shonour, John M.	R 1857
May 2, 1922	Shoulder, John S.	
Nov. 3, 1891	Shoup, Franklin N.	D 1913
Feb. 21, 1948	Shoup, Raymond A.	
Jan. 7, 1890	Showers, John H.	D 1892
Dec. 11, 1909	Shreiner, Israel H.	
Jan. 24, 1920	Shugar, John L.	D 1936
Feb. 25, 1946	Shugar, Robert L.	
June 2, 1925	Shulley, Frederick J.	R 1929
June 7, 1921	Shunk, Charles	
June 5, 1923	Shupp, J. Wellington	
Apr. 6, 1909	Simmons, Albert R.	
Mar. 30, 1944	Simmons, Daniel H.	
June 7, 1910	Sindel, Wilbur G.	D 1936
Dec. 6, 1913	Skaist, Max J.	D 1932
Feb. 2, 1943	Skinner, Romaine L.	D 1945
Aug. 20, 1872	Slegel, Eli	D 1897
Oct. 19, 1869	Slegel, Joel E.	D 1888
Feb. 7, 1899	Slegel, Walter R.	D 1932
Mar. 20, 1920	Slichter, Franklin W.	D 1936
June 3, 1902	Smith, Albert F.	D 1910
Sept. 4, 1855	Smith, E. Penn	R 1857

May 15, 1909	Smith, S. Edwin	D 1926
Nov. 5, 1889	Smith, Emerson D.	D 1922
Feb. 7, 1911	Smith, G. Paul	D 1934
Dec. 16, 1911	Smith, George E.	
Apr. 5, 1910	Smith, George J.	
Jan. 6, 1948	Smith, Glenwood A.	
Mar. 10, 1923	Smith, Harold A.	
Feb. 19, 1921	Smith, Harry M.	
Apr. 1, 1919	Smith, Harry P.	
Sept. 1, 1942	Smith, Herman M.	
Oct. 3, 1922	Smith, J. Calhoun	
Nov. 5, 1872	Smith, J. Irwin	D 1882
June 23, 1925	Smith, Lyman S.	
Feb. 4, 1913	Smith, Raymond B.	D 1938
Jan. 4, 1921	Smith, Raymond L.	
Oct. 30, 1947	Smith, Russell F.	
Apr. 5, 1887	Smith, Spencer H.	D 1912
June 7, 1910	Smith, Stanley K.	D 1918
June 7, 1921	Smith, Ulysses J.	D 1943
Feb. 5, 1849	Smith, W. Harold	R 1850
Mar. 4, 1913	Smith, Walter K.	
Nov. 20, 1920	Smith, Warren K.	
Nov. 29, 1945	Smyers, King E.	
Dec. 11, 1920	Smythe, Thomas B.	
Jan. 18, 1870	Snell, John L.	D 1883
Nov. 3, 1903	Snyder, Daniel R.	D 1911
Nov. 7, 1905	Snyder, Emil R.	
Nov. 4, 1941	Snyder, Fredrick R.	
Nov. 15, 1919	Snyder, George R.	
Feb. 15, 1918	Snyder, H. Gilbert	
Mar. 6, 1923	Snyder, Herbert F.	S 1935
Dec. 15, 1917	Snyder, Howard C.	
Jan. 2, 1923	Snyder, James M.	D 1934
Apr. 23, 1919	Snyder, John B.	S 1935
Oct. 3, 1876	Snyder, John H.	D 1924
Sept. 3, 1929	Snyder, John H.	
Sept. 4, 1945	Snyder, Lester B.	
Aug. 7, 1866	Snyder, Lewis	D 1881
Apr. 2, 1940	Snyder, Luke M.	
Jan. 3, 1928	Snyder, Raymond D.	
Nov. 6, 1894	Snyder, Rolandus R.	
June 2, 1849	Snyder, Solomon L.	D 1891
Dec. 11, 1909	Snyder, Winfield E.	
Sept. 1, 1896	Sohl, Daniel H.	D 1946
Dec. 22, 1923	Sollenberger, Harry	
Jan. 1, 1918	Sonen, Walter L.	

Oct. 28, 1946	Sonon, George W.	
Feb. 5, 1907	Souders, Hunter F.	D 1925
Dec. 20, 1851	Souders, John W.	D 1897
May 18, 1867	Spang, Henry W.	S 1904
Aug. 3, 1892	Spang, Isaac Y.	
Mar. 1, 1892	Spangler, Jonathan J.	D 1915
Apr. 6, 1915	Spangler, Joseph F.	D 1923
Dec. 22, 1923	Spohn, Harry W.	
Nov. 17, 1874	Spohn, John W.	D 1920
May 7, 1901	Spotts, John E.	
May 18, 1849	Spotts, William	R 1855
Dec. 6, 1921	Sproesser, George	
Sept. 3, 1850	Stamm, Cornelius S.	D 1902
Oct. 1, 1901	Stamm, William W. B.	D 1924
May 18, 1867	Stanley, Samuel	D 1904
Apr. 5, 1859	Starret, John	D 1878
Oct. 30, 1919	Steely, Orlando R.	D 1926
Oct. 18, 1852	Steffe, Abraham	D 1871
Apr. 17, 1920	Steffey, Irvin L.	D 1938
Apr. 7, 1925	Stegman, Ernest H.	
Oct. 27, 1920	Steigerwalt, Claude P.	
Mar. 6, 1855	Stephen, John	R 1857
Nov. 4, 1924	Stephens, Richard R.	S 1935
Dec. 15, 1885	Steve, Harry	S 1897
Apr. 26, 1946	Stevens, John B., Jr.	
Dec. 5, 1859	Stevens, Thomas P.	S 1861
Nov. 7, 1893	Stevenson, Wm. Sterling	D 1928
Jan. 3, 1888	Steward, Lewis M.	R 1888
June 5, 1923	Stewart, George M.	D 1946
Feb. 25, 1868	Stieff, John	D 1913
Oct. 7, 1851	Stillwell, Jesse	R 1856
Mar. 28, 1945	Stocker, Grant C.	
Feb. 6, 1923	Stohler, Milton C.	S 1937
Dec. 4, 1924	Stolz, Leroy G.	
Aug. 4, 1896	Stoner, Henry Y.	D 1945
Oct. 6, 1921	Stoudt, George K.	
Sept. 4, 1883	Stoudt, Henry B.	S 1896
Jan. 6, 1914	Stoudt, J. Henry	
Nov. 5, 1946	Stoudt, Mark R.	
Jan. 29, 1947	Stoudt, Russell J.	
May 4, 1848	Stout, David E.	R 1894
Jan. 2, 1923	Stratton, Edward F.	D 1946
Mar. 7, 1922	Strause, Charles S.	
Feb. 5, 1924	Strause, Mahlon S.	
Feb. 21, 1920	Strause, Samuel A.	
Sept. 6, 1921	Strause, Walter S.	

Mar. 5, 1910	Strebis, Michael S.	
June 8, 1848	Strickland, William H.	D 1891
Jan. 24, 1920	Strohl, Chester E.	
Mar. 19, 1921	Strohl, Freeman D.	
Apr. 21, 1874	Strunk, Cyrus M.	D 1890
Feb. 5, 1864	Strunk, Henry C.	S 1889
Sept. 4, 1900	Stryker, Harry D.	D 1936
June 4, 1914	Stuebner, Clarence F.	
Sept. 2, 1941	Stuebner, Robert L.	
May 25, 1921	Suender, Howard G.	
May 3, 1892	Summons, Edwin S.	D 1918
May 24, 1943	Swan, Kenneth L.	
Feb. 27, 1850	Swartz, A. Jordan	D 1865
July 7, 1908	Swartz, George W.	
June 4, 1914	Swartz, W. Howard	
Jan. 5, 1867	Swartz, William H.	D 1918
May 27, 1946	Sweitzer, John O.	

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Feb. 7, 1917	Taenzer, Edward	D 1929
May 3, 1921	Tapper, Harry	
Nov. 28, 1925	Taylor, George B.	S 1935
Mar. 3, 1863	Tea, Samuel H.	D 1883
Nov. 25, 1947	Tebby, Edward W.	
June 6, 1865	Teed, John	D 1878
Oct. 25, 1927	Teichman, Raymond E.	D 1939
May 28, 1929	Terrey, Herbert	S 1931
May 11, 1910	Terrey, J. William	
May 25, 1921	Thomas, Charles N.	
Apr. 29, 1947	Thomas, Henry E.	
Apr. 5, 1892	Thompson, Elmer S.	D 1911
June 4, 1914	Thus, Max	D 1939
Oct. 8, 1921	Tibbetts, Paul W.	S 1936
Sept. 18, 1849	Till, Franklin	D 1880
Oct. 18, 1851	Tippett, Robert	D 1878
Feb. 7, 1922	Tobias, Brooke A.	
Feb. 7, 1899	Tobias, Charles L.	D 1942
Nov. 3, 1925	Tobias, Frank W.	
Oct. 6, 1921	Tobias, Jacob N.	
Feb. 16, 1855	Tobias, William	D 1862
Sept. 3, 1918	Todd, William J., Jr.	
Jan. 17, 1871	Tollinger, George D.	R 1873
Jan. 2, 1855	Torry, Hiram D.	S 1869
Feb. 1, 1921	Tosh, William E.	
Nov. 9, 1848	Towns, Robert	D 1904

Mar. 6, 1888	Townsend, Elmer E.	R 1888
Jan. 5, 1924	Trostle, Edwin E.	
Oct. 19, 1859	Troup, Theodore	D 1923
Oct. 6, 1936	Trout, John D.	
Jan. 5, 1924	Troutman, Warren E.	
Apr. 5, 1892	Troxell, Henry P.	D 1936
Dec. 7, 1926	Tuplin, J. Preston	D 1943
Nov. 19, 1872	Tyack, Henry	R 1897
Nov. 6, 1877	Tyson, A. Harvey	D 1922
June 7, 1859	Tyson, Henry A.	D 1895
Nov. 30, 1903	Tyson, Walter M.	D 1918

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Mar. 1, 1932	Uhler, Eugene E.	
Dec. 9, 1863	Umbleby, John	D 1893

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Aug. 6, 1849	Vache, Francis A.	D 1852
Nov. 17, 1868	VanHoesen, John	D 1878
Feb. 5, 1895	VanReed, Henry T.	
Dec. 19, 1861	VanTassel, R. H.	D 1876
Dec. 17, 1849	Vauclain, James L.	S 1859
Oct. 5, 1858	Vertz, John S.	D 1885
July 1, 1873	Vierling, John H.	D 1910
Nov. 3, 1921	Villforth, Carl	
Jan. 7, 1936	Vlahopoulos, Panagiotis C.	
Jan. 29, 1947	Vollm, Gordon A.	
Feb. 3, 1857	VonNeida, William G.	D 1889
Mar. 25, 1930	Voorhees, John A., Jr.	R 1937
June 18, 1921	Vozella, Joseph H.	
Oct. 27, 1920	Vozella, Walter T.	

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Mar. 7, 1922	Wagner, Charles M.	D 1941
June 6, 1905	Wagner, Frederick L.	D 1931
Nov. 17, 1874	Wagner, George W.	R 1876
Apr. 7, 1885	Wagner, John L.	S 1891
Oct. 15, 1867	Wagner, John S.	D 1905
Mar. 6, 1928	Wagner, Leroy C.	
Sept. 3, 1929	Wagner, Raymond S.	
Mar. 18, 1922	Wagner, Roy B.	S 1937
June 1, 1875	Wagner, Thomas S.	S 1882
Sept. 4, 1855	Wagner, William	D 1897
June 1, 1920	Wagner, William F.	D 1936

Sept. 7, 1920	Wahl, Harvey	
Dec. 12, 1908	Wahl, John H.	D 1934
Oct. 30, 1919	Waidelich, Robert A.	D 1931
May 6, 1930	Walker, John R.	
May 1, 1928	Walley, Pierce R.	
Sept. 4, 1917	Walsh, Harry L.	R 1921
Feb. 1, 1898	Walter, John B.	
May 6, 1902	Walter, Paul L.	
Feb. 3, 1931	Walters, Harry M.	
Jan. 15, 1921	Walters, Lester A.	D 1947
May 2, 1911	Waltman, Arthur G.	
Oct. 4, 1887	Waltz, George E.	S 1903
Sept. 1, 1857	Wamsher, Benjamin	D 1896
May 18, 1867	Wanner, Amos B.	D 1892
Oct. 27, 1920	Wanner, Frank P.	
Mar. 7, 1911	Wanner, H. Herbert	
Feb. 2, 1904	Wanner, Otis A.	
Mar. 10, 1923	Wanner, Peter A.	D 1947
Nov. 17, 1868	Wanner, Reuben	D 1898
Mar. 16, 1869	Ware, Charles F.	D 1874
Aug. 2, 1853	Warren, Francis	D 1872
Mar. 26, 1927	Wassell, W. Dale	
Nov. 21, 1871	Watkins, Samuel	D 1900
Jan. 4, 1887	Weand, Levi S.	D 1931
Apr. 3, 1894	Weaver, Charles H.	D 1920
May 16, 1871	Weaver, John H.	D 1876
June 30, 1919	Weaver, William A.	
Nov. 6, 1906	Weber, W. Wayne	
Jan. 27, 1925	Weddle, Guy S.	
Feb. 2, 1897	Weida, Charles A.	D 1943
May 3, 1864	Weida, Daniel W.	S 1871
Sept. 1, 1857	Weida, James W.	R 1896
Mar. 7, 1893	Weida, John B.	D 1942
Mar. 20, 1920	Weidenheimer, A. Earl	
Oct. 26, 1926	Weidler, Harry D.	S 1937
May 3, 1927	Weidner, Douglass Elliott	
Apr. 3, 1923	Weidner, Frederick P.	
Nov. 19, 1872	Weidner, George D.	D 1916
Jan. 4, 1921	Weidner, Samuel V.	D 1945
Mar. 4, 1913	Weidner, William Elliott	
Nov. 7, 1916	Weil, Oscar W.	D 1920
Mar. 20, 1866	Weiler, Manoah S.	D 1902
Mar. 2, 1920	Weiner, Maurice H.	
Mar. 3, 1925	Weinhold, James	D 1933
Oct. 6, 1925	Weinhold, Walter G.	
Feb. 3, 1920	Weisner, Ammon B.	

May 26, 1915	Weisner, William C.	D 1935
May 23, 1919	Weiss, Nevin Z.	S 1940
Mar. 7, 1922		E 1924
Aug. 20, 1866	Weitzel, Abraham E.	S 1873
Feb. 3, 1914	Weitzel, Jacob L.	D 1915
Jan. 6, 1903	Welder, Clinton B.	D 1903
May 6, 1884	Weller, Silas W.	D 1891
Apr. 5, 1853	Wells, William A.	D 1855
Oct. 8, 1921	Welsh, Fred W.	R 1927
Jan. 3, 1922	Welsh, Harvey	
Feb. 7, 1911	Wem, Abraham L.	
Nov. 3, 1925	Wentzel, Jacob D.	S 1935
Mar. 5, 1849	Wentzel, Jeremiah B.	S 1855
Oct. 8, 1864	Werner, Alexander	D 1887
June 3, 1924	Werner, Charles F.	
Dec. 22, 1922	Werner, LeRoy F.	
Mar. 1, 1927	Werner, William F.	
Apr. 15, 1884	Werner, William D.	D 1926
Dec. 4, 1919	Werner, Winfield S. F.	S 1935
Oct. 28, 1946	Wert, Harry W.	
Nov. 4, 1913	Wertz, Allen R.	
June 4, 1918	Wertz, Augustus S.	
Nov. 3, 1891	Wertz, Cyrus	D 1922
Jan. 6, 1914	Wertz, Paul B.	
May 3, 1887	West, David	D 1908
Jan. 21, 1873	Westley, Isaiah	D 1927
July 13, 1848	Whally, John C.	D 1870
Nov. 6, 1928	Wheeler, Raymond L.	D 1946
Dec. 9, 1857	Wheeler, William C.	D 1879
Mar. 3, 1868	Whitaker, Samuel	D 1885
Dec. 14, 1866	White, Edward	D 1879
May 18, 1867	White, John	S 1896
May 4, 1926	White, William H.	
June 1, 1909	Whiteson, Isadore	
Jan. 24, 1948	Whitman, Arthur W.	
Mar. 5, 1929	Whitman, George R.	
May 3, 1921	Wickel, Claude L.	
Mar. 4, 1919	Wiegner, Owen G.	
Feb. 6, 1866	Wilfert, Henry	D 1912
Feb. 19, 1921	Wilkinson, Norman G.	
Nov. 1, 1904	Wilkinson, Solomon S.	
Jan. 3, 1888	Willard, Geary J.	D 1935
Oct. 30, 1947	Williams, Norman T.	
Dec. 15, 1917	Willits, Harry K.	
July 20, 1869	Wilson, George C.	D 1917
Apr. 24, 1893	Wilson, George C. Jr.	

June 5, 1906	Wilson, Lee Roy	S 1922
Dec. 7, 1858		E 1861
Oct. 3, 1911	Wilson, Richard T.	D 1926
Mar. 6, 1900	Wilson, Robert L.	D 1915
Mar. 4, 1856	Wilson, Simon	S 1886
Nov. 4, 1924	Wilson, William C.	
Nov. 1, 1932	Wingert, Calvin H.	
Jan. 18, 1870	Wink, George T.	D 1922
Sept. 2, 1890	Wink, Zachary T.	D 1906
Feb. 4, 1908	Wise, David R.	D 1916
Apr. 7, 1908	Wise, Joseph S.	D 1934
May 3, 1921	Withrow, Barnard	S 1926
Apr. 12, 1864	Wobensmith, John L.	D 1934
Oct. 2, 1894	Wolf, Ezra B.	R 1924
Sept. 5, 1922	Wolf, F. Carl	
July 6, 1909	Wolf, John D.	D 1914
Nov. 2, 1915	Wolfskill, William R.	
July 20, 1875	Wood, Horace B.	R 1888
Dec. 7, 1926	Woomer, Clinton K.	S 1943
Oct. 5, 1852	Wooten, Enoch J.	D 1894
Oct. 5, 1920	Worley, James E.	S 1943
Sept. 7, 1926	Wummer, John R. Jr.	
Jan. 3, 1882	Wunch, John	D 1895

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Apr. 4, 1882	Yarnell, Jared G.	D 1911
Oct. 4, 1910	Yeager, Charles A.	
Mar. 2, 1926	Yeager, George N.	
Aug. 12, 1851	Yeager, George W.	D 1905
July 22, 1947	Yeager, George W.	
Mar. 7, 1905	Yeager, Harry	
May 2, 1882	Yeager, Hiram P.	S 1923
Oct. 3, 1922	Yeager, Lawrence R.	R 1942
May 28, 1947	Yeager, Lester R.	
Apr. 29, 1947	Yeager, Walter L.	
Mar. 2, 1897	Yeager, William B.	D 1925
June 6, 1911	Yeager, William H.	D 1934
Apr. 6, 1909	Yeagley, George W.	S 1940
July 20, 1875	Yeity, Charles F.	D 1915
Jan. 1, 1889	Yerger, Edwin M.	S 1907
Apr. 17, 1920	Yerger, Paul G.	
Apr. 17, 1905	Yocum, Frank	S 1916
Mar. 19, 1921	Yocom, Harry E.	
Apr. 6, 1920	Yocom, Howard G.	
Oct. 2, 1866	Yoder, Bertollette Y.	D 1906

Feb. 3, 1925	Yoder, Irwin H.	
Aug. 20, 1872	Yohn, Charles R.	D 1926
Mar. 4, 1902	Yost, Harry P.	
Mar. 4, 1902	Yost, William M. K.	
June 19, 1866	Young, Adam W.	S 1872
Dec. 22, 1947	Young, Gordon B.	
Aug. 16, 1870	Young, John G. B.	R 1899
July 2, 1867	Yundt, Horace A.	D 1918

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Nov. 7, 1854	Zacharias, Daniel S.	D 1881
Feb. 4, 1919	Zacharias, Edwin H.	D 1935
Apr. 29, 1947	Zakrison, Herbert B.	
Sept. 5, 1911	Zapf, Casper G.	
Apr. 4, 1916	Zechman, Charles M.	
June 3, 1913	Zerbe, Charles C.	
June 7, 1887	Zerr, Benjamin H.	D 1926
Mar. 20, 1866	Zerr, George H.	S 1875
July 12, 1853	Zieber, Edward H.	D 1892
Dec. 19, 1871	Zieber, George P.	D 1896
Apr. 2, 1849	Ziegler, John George	R 1866
Dec. 21, 1869	Ziegler, Martin B.	D 1920
Sept. 1, 1925	Zillhardt, Russell C.	S 1935
Dec. 22, 1947	Zimmerly, William H.	
Feb. 7, 1920	Zimmerman, Edwin C.	
May 3, 1921	Zimmerman, Harry S.	
Oct. 5, 1943	Zohn, John M.	
May 4, 1948	Zweizig, Homer K.	

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William F. Kinch	Mar. 6, 1945
George F. Lance, Jr.	Sept. 8, 1944
William A. Markley	Sept. 8, 1944
George W. Mayers	Apr. 13, 1943
Lewis P. Muthart	Oct. 1, 1940
Ira P. Rothermel	Mar. 3, 1942
Charles W. Sharman	Oct. 2, 1945
Rolandus R. Snyder	Sept. 8, 1944
Isaac Y. Spang	Feb. 23, 1942
Henry T. Van Reed	Mar. 6, 1945
George C. Wilson, Jr.	Apr. 2, 1943

CHANDLER'S STATISTICAL RECORD

<i>Year</i>	<i>Stated Meetings</i>	<i>Extra and Special</i>	<i>Initiated</i>	<i>Admitted</i>	<i>Deceased</i>	<i>Suspended and Expelled</i>	<i>Withdrawn</i>	<i>Total</i>
1848				4				23
1849	13	14	32	4			2	57
1850	12	8	24	2		2	3	78
1851	12	12	20	6		4	1	99
1852	12	11	19	4	2	7	2	111
1853	12	9	10		3	4	2	112
1854	12	11	16	2	2	1	3	124
1855	12	11	23	3	4	5	1	140
1856	12	5	14		1			153
1857	12	7	12	1	2	2	13	149
1858	12	4	10	3	2	4	1	155
1859	12	7	10	2	1	6	1	159
1860	12	4	7	4	1			169
1861	12	8	8	1	4	12	2	160
1862	12	7	5	1	3			163
1863	12	7	15	1	4			175
1864	12	19	31	3	1	4		204
1865	12	16	29	1	4		1	230
1866	12	16	40	6	2		7	267
1867	12	31	38	3	2	1		303
1868	12	20	25	7	2	1	1	330
1869	12	13	14	1	2	6	2	335
1870	12	15	18		3	2		348
1871	12	13	17	1	4	2	4	356
1872	12	13	18	3	6	7	1	363
1873	12	10	14	2	6	5	3	365
1874	12	9	11	4	5			375
1875	12	6	13		7	5		376
1876	12	1	4	2	3	3	3	373
1877	12	2	6		4			375
1878	12	1	2		5	9		363
1879	12	1	3		6		2	358
1880	12	1	4		7			355
1881	12	1	10	2	6			361
1882	12	3	13	1	8	5	1	361
1883	12	3	15		8	1		367
1884	12	2	12		4			375
1885	12	1	7	4	8			378

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1886	12	1	11	1	3	16		371
1887	12	1	11	1	7		1	374
1888	12	2	8	3	7		10	368
1889	12	1	9	1	7	20	1	350
1890	12	2	8	6	6			357
1891	12	4	12		12	8	1	349
1892	12	9	20		12	2		355
1893	12	7	17	1	8			364
1894	12	1	17		5		1	375
1895	12	1	14	2	5		1	385
1896	12	1	6	1	11	14	2	364
1897	12	1	12	1	9	3	1	364
1898	10	0	5	1	9			359
1899	10	0	10		6	6	2	346
1900	10	0	8	1	11	1		351
1901	10	1	9		10			350
1902	10	4	14	1	6	6		350
1903	10	3	17	3	7	6		357
1904	12	2	22		4	3	3	369
1905	12	4	20		7	3	1	377
1906	12	1	15	2	9	1		385
1907	12	5	40	2	7	3	1	416
1908	12	8	32		8	4	2	435
1909	12	16	36	2	11			463
1910	10	12	43	1	13	1	1	493
1911	10	4	22	1	12	5	2	497
1912	10	4	14	1	12			500
1913	10	4	19		13	3		503
1914	10	6	23	1	7	2	1	517
1915	10	5	18		13	1	1	520
1916	10	6	26		6	3	1	538
1917	10	7	27		12	1		552
1918	12	9	35		14	2		571
1919	10	10	67	1	11		1	627
1920	10	22	97	3	14	1	1	711
1921	10	19	75	6	6		1	785
1922	10	10	49	1	13	6		814
1923	10	16	47	2	7	3	1	852
1924	10	10	40	1	13	5	1	874
1925	10	9	39	3	14		2	900

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1926	10	7	27	1	18	5		905
1927	10	4	26	3	9	3	1	921
1928	10	6	23		8		1	935
1929	10	5	19	1	11	5	1	938
1930	10	2	14	5	12	5		940
1931	10	1	11	1	18	4	1	929
1932	10	2	12		16		1	924
1933	10	0	2	1	12	11	1	902
1934	10	0	3		17		1	887
1935	10	0	1		18	23		847
1936	10	0	5	2	10	28		816
1937	10	1	5	1	9	10	2	801
1938	10	0	2	1	12	7		785
1939	10	1	4	1	16			774
1940	10	0	7		14	18		749
1941	10	0	4	1	16	3		735
1942	10	0	3	3	9	3	1	728
1943	12	5	15	4	15	6	3	723
1944	11	11	17	4	11			733
1945	10	10	19	2	10	1		743
1946	10	14	41	2	23	1		762
1947	11	15	47	2	14	2	1	794

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ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION

OF THE CONSTITUTION OF

Chandler Lodge No. 227, F. & A. M.

READING, PA.

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May 4, 1948—7 P.M.

Masonic Temple

May 8, 1948—3 P.M.

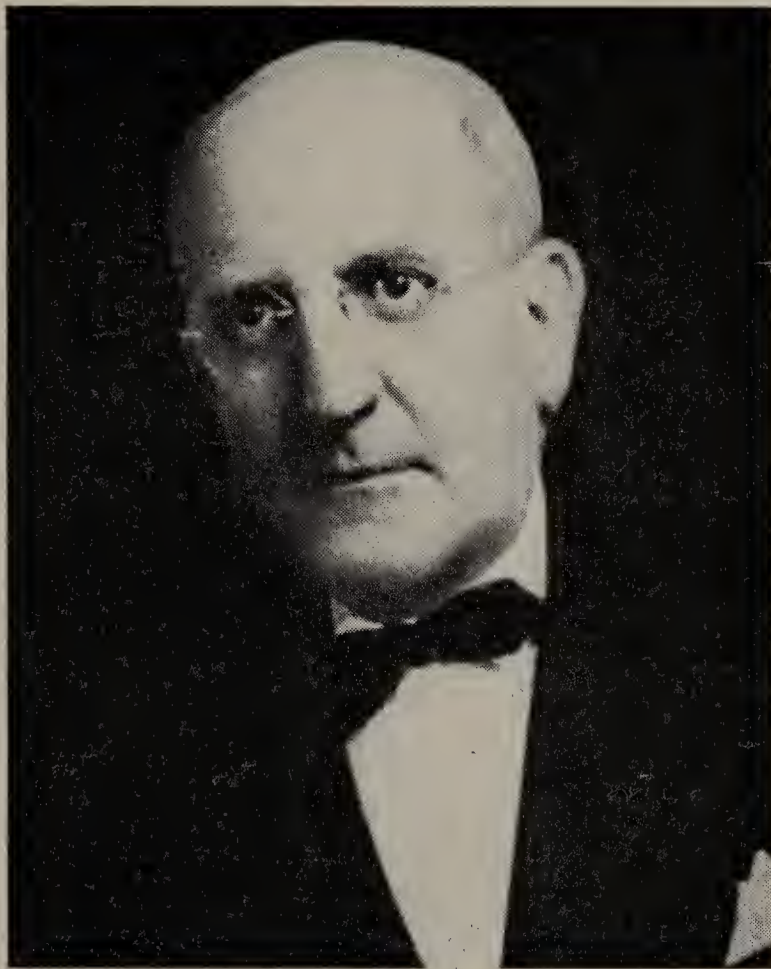
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May 8, 1948—6 P.M.

Rajah Temple



GRAND MASTER GEORGE H. DEIKE



JAMES C. EYLER
General Chairman

James C. Eyler, general chairman of the 100th anniversary committee, was born in Reading on September 28, 1881, and resides at 326 North Tenth St. Brother Eyler was employed in early manhood by the C. K. Whitner Company, Reading, in its department store, for several years. He married Miss Esther K. Link on December 14, 1905. On December 1, 1900, he entered the employ of the Metropolitan Company, as an oiler. He worked in practically all departments of the company's system until 1907, when he was advanced to the position of general foreman. In 1914 he was made superintendent of transmission and distribution and in 1934 became division manager, which position he held until his retirement on November 1, 1946.

He has always been active in the Community Chest, the Red Cross, Y.M.C.A., Historical Society of Berks County, and other community and welfare organizations, and served in War Chest drives in both World Wars I and II. In World War I he was

appointed to membership on one of the City Registration Boards, and was engaged in other war time activities. In World War II he served on the executive committee of the Reading and Berks Civilian Defense Council, was Chief of Emergency Utility Service (with responsibility for the blackout-alarm system); a Volunteer Police Officer of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and, following the war, served as Re-employment Committeeman for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. During the City's 175th Anniversary, in 1923, he served as Chairman of the Illumination Committee, and is a member of the Finance Committee of Reading's 1948 Bicentennial Celebration.

He has been a member of the Chamber of Commerce for many years and at present is chairman of its executive committee. He is President of the Civil Service Board of the City of Reading.

Brother Eyler was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on June 2, 1908, and served as steward from 1916 to 1941, a period of 25 years. He has always been a regular attendant at Stated Meetings. He is a director of the Masonic Temple and Building Trust and a member of Reading Consistory, Scottish Rite Masons; Rajah Temple, Mystic Shriners; and Neversink Forest, No. 32, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, and was responsible for obtaining the necessary signatures for the Tall Cedar charter. He served as Neversink's first Grand Tall Cedar, in 1914. His activity in the Forest has been continuous. Among his other social affiliations are Temple Club, Wyomissing Club, Reading Country Club, Wyanett Tribe, No. 301, Red Men, and Camp 163, P.O.S. of A.

As General Chairman of the 100th anniversary committee, Brother Eyler demonstrated his extraordinary ability as an organizer. The Anniversary was an outstanding event and was acclaimed by all Brethren in attendance.

PREPARATIONS FOR ANNIVERSARY

In October, 1947, Brother James C. Eyler was appointed General Chairman of the 1948 Anniversary Committee. Brother Eyler proceeded immediately to coordinate the work of the committees which were already functioning; and, additional committees were named to provide for every possible need. Each of the nine committees was headed by a chairman, who in turn was made a member of the General Committee. The latter group held many meetings to receive reports on the progress made by the subcommittees and to act in an advisory capacity.

The following program of events was decided upon:

A Past Masters' Night on the Anniversary Date, Tuesday, May 4, 1948, to present brief historical reviews of the past century.

A Special Meeting on Saturday, May 8, 1948, at 3 p. m. for a Grand Lodge Visitation and an Historical Address.

The Anniversary Banquet on Saturday, May 8, 1948, at 6 p. m. in Rajah Temple Ballroom.

PAST MASTERS' NIGHT

(Beginning of the Centennial Program)

On Tuesday evening, May 4, Past Masters' Night, Chandler Lodge opened at 7 o'clock. After a business session and remarks by Worshipful Master John D. Glase, Brother Jacob H. McConnell, Worshipful Master in 1911 and the oldest living active Past Master of the Lodge, was called to the East.

Brother McConnell named the following Past Masters to fill the chairs:

Senior Warden, W. S. Ludwig; Junior Warden, E. D. Miller; Treasurer, J. C. Hiester; Secretary, Michael S. Strebig; Chaplain, R. E. Godshall; Senior Deacon, I. Carroll Regar; Junior Deacon, W. S. Strause; Senior Master of Ceremonies, L. H. Houck; Junior Master of Ceremonies, J. F. Hertzog; Pursuivant, Harry J. G. Schad; Tyler, W. K. Bridegam.

After remarks by Acting Worshipful Master McConnell, and the introduction of other Past Masters, a eulogy on the late Past Master Edward Angstadt was delivered by Brother Strebig. A

prayer for all deceased Past Masters was offered by the Rev. Brother Thomas B. Smythe.

Remarks were made by the following members of the History Committee, covering various periods in the history of Chandler Lodge: Brother Earl E. Fake, P.M. and Chairman; Brother Ralph W. Kinsey, period before 1848; Brother Thomas B. Smythe, 1848 to 1868; Brother Forrest R. Shanaman, 1868 to 1888; Brother Carl A. Focht, Past Master, 1888 to 1908; Brother Fredrick R. Snyder, 1908 to 1948; Brother Walter S. Ludwig, P.M., "Past Masters of Chandler"; remarks by Past Masters Brother John C. Hiester and Brother Michael S. Strebis. Brother John G. Rothermel was unable to attend because of illness.

A team of Past Masters conferred the Entered Apprentice degree on candidates, Brother Edwin M. Fox in charge. A luncheon, with singing, followed.



Seated—William G. Brosman, D.D.G.M.; George H. Deike, R.W.G.M.
Standing—Rev. E. Martin Grove, Grand Chaplain; John D. Glase, W. M.
Ralph M. Lehr, Grand Marshal.

GRAND LODGE VISITATION

On Saturday, May 8, the lodge opened at 3 o'clock p. m., with Worshipful Master John D. Glase and the other officers of Chandler Lodge in their stations. The Worshipful Master noted the presence of Brother Daniel Feger Ancona, Sr., son of Brother Sydenham E. Ancona and nephew of Brother Daniel H. Feger, two of the founders of Chandler Lodge in 1848. Brother Ancona is one of Chandler's oldest members.

Grand Marshal Ralph M. Lehr appeared before the Lodge and announced the presence of the Right Worshipful Grand Master and his staff. The Past Masters formed a "guard of honor" which stood at attention in double files, and the Grand Marshal conducted the Grand Master and the officers of the Grand Lodge into the hall and presented them to the Worshipful Master in the East.

After the customary honors due the Grand Master had been paid, and the officers of Chandler Lodge had vacated their stations and places, the Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother George H. Deike and the other officers of the Grand Lodge assumed the vacated stations and places.

One hundred and thirty-seven members, including 27 Past Masters, were present. The following brethren accompanied the Right Worshipful Grand Master:

Brother William G. Brosman, Acting, R. W. Deputy Grand Master;

Brother Horace G. Geisel, Acting, R. W. Senior Grand Warden;
Brother Ellis E. Stern, Acting, R. W. Junior Grand Warden;
Brother Benjamin B. Herr, Acting, R. W. Grand Treasurer;
Brother Walter M. Carwithen, Acting, R. W. Grand Secretary;
Brother E. Martin Grove, Grand Chaplain;
Brother Edward F. Roberts, Senior Grand Deacon;
Brother Robert Peel, Junior Grand Deacon;
Brother Emlen H. Zellers, Grand Steward;
Brother Eldred C. Brainerd, Grand Steward;
Brother Ralph M. Lehr, Grand Marshal;
Brother Russell E. Crawford, as Grand Sword Bearer;
Brother Earl Himmelberger, as Grand Pursuivant;
Brother Charles Higgins, Grand Tyler.

Accompanying the Grand Lodge officers were also :

Brother Frederick C. Auch, Superintendent, Masonic Homes, Elizabethtown ;

Brother J. Carlton Schuldt, Orchardist, Masonic Homes ;

Brother Andrew J. Schroder, Instructor of Ritualistic Work.

In attendance were 20 visitors, in addition to members of the Grand Lodge, and three Worshipful Masters.

The Right Worshipful Grand Master, presiding over the Lodge in person, introduced the members of the Grand Lodge party, in turn.

Addressing the assemblage, the Right Worshipful Grand Master paid tribute to the "seven young Masons" who on March 8, 1848, began proceedings with the assistance of the Mother Lodge, No. 62, to establish a new lodge.

His address to the lodge, in part, was as follows :

"Worshipful Master, Officers and Brethren :

"Upon this happy occasion, when we are gathered together to celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the constitution of Chandler Lodge, and delight in its progress and strength, our thoughts, as they are wont to do at anniversaries, revert over the years, particularly to the very beginning of the history of Lodge No. 227.

"While it is not my purpose to encroach on the prerogatives of your historian and to recite in intimate detail the accomplishments of Chandler Lodge, I think it fitting to pay tribute to the memory of that small group of seven courageous young Masons, who obtained their Warrant from Grand Lodge on March 6, 1848, upon the recommendation of Lodge No. 62, and Chandler Lodge No. 227 was duly constituted on May 4, 1848, by the Right Worshipful Grand Master, Brother Peter Fritz.

"Our admiration for the zeal and enthusiasm of these sturdy young Masons is increased when we consider the low estate in which we find the Fraternity at this particular period. Having by this time run its course, the dire effects of the Anti-Masonic furore were rapidly disappearing, and the Fraternity was recovering its former place and prosperity. Lodges which had ceased to Work were again open for Labor ; new Lodges were being constituted, and the Work as well as the finances of subordinate Lodges and of the Grand Lodge again flourished, and thus the foundation of our present prosperity was happily and permanently laid.

“In National affairs, the Mexican War had just been successfully concluded; General Taylor was elected to the Presidency. The question of slavery had taken up so much time in Congress that its other legislation was comparatively limited. This was the era of new sects, of communities, of fantastic proposals of every kind in religion and politics, the most disturbing of which, to the good people of the land, agitated by press and pulpit, was the sect of Mormons, settling in Utah, and its successful growth threatened, for a time, to become a menace to our American way of life.

“In striking contrast, the complex problems of the present day and the tremendous developments that made our Nation an industrial power in a scientific age, great responsibilities are laid upon us to promote Peace, Liberty and Self-Government throughout the World.

“Never before, has there been a greater demand for a leadership capable of clear and realistic thinking, that we may wisely and justly, without division among us as to race, ideas and beliefs, in labor and management, go forward unitedly to fulfill a great destiny.

“In the aftermath of a great War, the World is in revolutionary change. Great Truths are challenged. We are brought to the stark realization that a just and lasting Peace is more difficult of achievement than Victory in War. There continue suspicion and mistrust, in the motives of men and Nations in the common pursuits of righteousness and peace, that must be composed.

“What part in a changing World has Masonry to play? Can Masonry continue to be a Power, a Force influencing the lives of men in our day and generation? I am confident it can and will, so long as we steadfastly adhere to our ancient landmarks—namely—an abiding Faith in the Great Architect of the Universe; Loyalty and Love for Country; a Code of social and moral ethics for Man as well as for Nations, and lastly a Brotherhood of Man founded upon Justice, Equality and Charity. And never before has there been a greater need for a revitalization of these great principles than in this very hour.

“Lulled by a fancied security in a ‘it cannot happen to us’ moment, the very principles for which we stand may be in imminent peril. Totalitarianism is on the march. And it is not content to live by its own philosophy within its own national borders, but is aggres-

sively and busily engaged in building up its sphere of influence, infiltrating the thought and attempting to influence the political, social and economic life of our own as well of the other nations of the World. If we as Americans, as Masons, fail to meet its challenge on behalf of human dignity, and a halt is not called, then the end of civilization as we know it, and cherish it, is inevitable.

“We point with pride to the influence Freemasonry played in the establishment of this great Republic of free men; and its crowning achievement in its leadership in the convention which drafted and adopted the fundamental Law of the Land—the most important enactment of the will of a people ever penned by human hands, the Constitution of the United States. And with that same patriotic zeal and fervor of our founding Fathers, let us, as Masons, see to it that there are loyalties in all places of authority, that a strong America may bring hope and a righteous Peace to a distressed World.

“To you, Worshipful Master, I express my appreciation for the courtesies extended to me tonight. Proud, as you have a right to be, of the heritage of a splendid past, and glad in the comradeship of this hour, may I voice the hope that your future shall be more glorious.”

Grand Chaplain Grove paid tribute to the “Seven Immortals” of 1848 who pioneered in establishing Chandler Lodge. Difficulties facing the order and mankind in general, he said, are greater now than ever, but “the light of Freemasonry shines brighter today than ever before.”

Senior Grand Warden Geisel, speaking on “Looking Forward,” said every Mason should stop to consider what kind of lodge his would be, “if every member were just like me.” “It behooves all of us to live our Freemasonry in our time, and in our daily relations to all in our communities,” he declared.

Grand Marshal Lehr urged Chandler “to carry high the torch of Freemasonry, in its new century, as it has done in the past hundred years.

“The hour is always NOW,” he said. “Now is the time for all of us to dedicate our lives to principles of Freemasonry; for allegiance to the flag; to stand up and be counted and to renew our Masonic vows, to combat insidious influences that are operating in our time.”

"Freemasonry abhors Communism," the Grand Marshal asserted. "It is our duty, as Free Masons, to see that it is annihilated, throughout the world."

Brother Schroder told the brethren of Chandler that he felt "very much at home" in this lodge, because of frequent visits to Reading School of Instruction. He said that an example of "perfect work" was presented at a recent Quarterly Communication in Philadelphia, with Worshipful Master Glase of Chandler and his fellow members from Reading in charge.

"Wishing alone doesn't result in perfect floor work," Brother Schroder said. "It means hard work, and I would urge a larger attendance at all sessions of the school, to enable us to arrive at the perfection we aim at."

The Right Worshipful Grand Master, at this juncture, took occasion to congratulate the Reading School on the work it has done for many years past.

District Deputy Grand Master Brosman reminded the brethren that this is not only the 100th anniversary of Chandler Lodge, but also the 30th anniversary of Past Master Brother Michael S. Strebig as Secretary. The District Deputy Grand Master complimented the principals of the Reading School of Instruction on their devotion to the work of the school and on the excellence of the results they have accomplished.

Past Master Brother Earl E. Fake, chairman of the Chandler Historical Committee, reviewed the history of the lodge. In summary, he said:

HISTORICAL ADDRESS

"Right Worshipful Grand Master, Worshipful Master and Brethren:

"The first attempt to establish Freemasonry in Reading and vicinity was made in 1780. At that time a small group of Masons under the leadership of Dr. Jonathan Potts, a surgeon in the Revolutionary War and one of Reading's outstanding citizens, obtained a Warrant and a new Lodge, No. 24, was constituted. Brother Potts was elected Worshipful Master. Unfortunately he died in October, 1781, and the Lodge surrendered its warrant shortly thereafter.

“A second attempt was made in 1786, when Lodge No. 47 was constituted in Reading. This Lodge apparently transferred to Churchtown in Lancaster County in 1790, and became Lodge No. 46. It died a natural death in Lititz, September 4, 1826, after experiencing a brief stay in Ephrata and New Holland in Lancaster County.

“A third and successful attempt was made on April 9, 1794, when Lodge No. 62, our Mother Lodge, was constituted in Federal Inn, at Fifth and Penn Streets. Thus, to Lodge No. 62, goes the honor of being the oldest Masonic Lodge in Berks County. The year following, on June 1, 1795, Lodge No. 66, of Caernarvon Township was constituted. In 1823 it moved to Morgantown, Berks County, and in 1837 had its warrant vacated.

“After half a century of progress in Freemasonry within one Lodge, it was generally considered to be in the best interest of the fraternity to open an additional Lodge. Accordingly, five brethren from Lodge No. 62, with another brother from a distant Lodge, sent the following petition to Grand Lodge: ‘To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and Masonic Jurisdiction thereunto Belonging, We, the undersigned being regular Master Masons, formerly members of the lodges mentioned against our respective names, and at this time not members of any lodge, pray for a warrant of constitution, empowering us to meet as a regular lodge in Reading to be called Chandler, and there to discharge the duties of Masonry in a constitutional manner, according to the forms of this order, and the rules and regulations of the Grand Lodge. And we have nominated, and do recommend Brother John O. D. Lilly to be the first Master, Brother Daniel H. Feger to be the first Senior Warden, and Brother Jacob H. Greiner to be the first Junior Warden of the said Lodge. The prayer of the petition being granted, we promise strict conformity to the ancient land marks of the order, and the rules and regulations of the Grand Lodge.’

“‘Signed—

J. O. D. Lilly, Lodge No. 62, Penna.

Daniel H. Feger, Lodge No. 62, Penna.

David E. Stout, Lodge No. 62, Penna.

Robert Caldwell, Lodge No. 62, Penna.

S. E. Ancona, Lodge No. 62, Penna.

Jacob F. Greiner, Lancaster Lodge No. 57, of Ohio.’

“Brother Joseph L. Stichter, at that time District Deputy Grand Master, endorsed the petition and was most helpful in organizing and launching the project. He visited the Lodge regularly, and was highly regarded by the Brethren.

“At a meeting of Lodge No. 62 held at Reading on the ninth day of February, 1848, it was Resolved: That the petition be recommended to the favorable consideration of the R. W. Grand Lodge. Subsequently the petition was read and approved by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania on March 6, 1848.

“In accordance with the Warrant, the brethren assembled on the second floor of the ‘State House Building’ on the Northeast corner of Fifth and Penn Streets on Thursday evening, May 4, 1848. There, amid three movable sperm candles about the altar, and a large ornamental chandelier, (with six oil lamps), suspended over the altar to light the room, the first officers of Chandler Lodge were installed by the Right Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, Brother Peter Fritz, and his officers.

“The members and visiting brethren sat on settees lined along the walls on slightly elevated platforms. The Master’s chair was of an old fashioned pattern with a high back, and a heavy headboard upon which was carved a Rising Sun. Over the pedestal was a canopy, handsomely decorated and supported by two columns. The floor was carpeted and the windows were draped with curtains of purple worsted.

“Amid this setting the following charter members were installed: John O. D. Lilly, Worshipful Master; Daniel H. Feger, Senior Warden; Jacob F. Greiner, Junior Warden; Robert Caldwell, Treasurer and David E. Stout, Secretary. The Worshipful Master made the following appointments: Eliphalet H. Mason, Senior Deacon; Sydenham E. Ancona, Junior Deacon; and Henry Witman of Lodge No. 62, Tyler.

“After the installation of officers, Past Grand Master Brother Joseph R. Chandler, one of the most brilliant and distinguished scholars ever to attain the rank of Right Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania, and in whose honor Chandler Lodge was named, delivered a most excellent address on the vital principles of Freemasonry—Faith, Hope and Charity. After the address the Lodge adjourned to partake of a supper prepared at the

home of Brother Andrew Davis. Upon the conclusion of that portion of the program, the celebration was continued at Mineral Springs, where refreshments were served, and a piano was rented at a cost of two dollars, to bolster the musical program. The evening was considered such a grand success that it more or less served as a pattern for future meetings. It is not uncommon to note entries in bills submitted for Annual Banquets such as the following:

2 baskets Champagne	\$60.00
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Corkage	12.00
100 Segars	7.00
50 Masonic Songs	5.00

“Somewhere along the way, coffee was substituted for wine.

“Annual banquets were held on St. John’s Day during the first quarter century of the Lodge. Greater emphasis was placed on the Anniversary banquets after the 50th Anniversary. The extent of the celebrations, then as now, was dependent upon the condition of the treasury. The 25th Anniversary of the Lodge was celebrated at Rose Valley Park, also known as the Schweitzer House. It was an old-fashioned Masonic Barbecue, enjoyed by the members and their families. The 50th Anniversary of the Lodge was observed without a banquet, since the funds of the Lodge were invested in the new Temple, our present Temple. A historical program was presented.

“The 75th Anniversary was celebrated in grand style, May 4th, 1923, in Rajah Temple. Right Worshipful Grand Master Brother Abraham M. Beitler was present on that occasion.

“The Stated Meetings were held the first Monday in the month during the first two years of the existence of the Lodge, when in 1850 it was changed to the first Tuesday in the month. The dues were 12½ cents per month, and many brethren paid by the month. The original warrant is still being displayed, and the Lodge has never failed to open and close on a Stated Meeting night. All the minutes and records of the Lodge are intact and in excellent condition. Many articles of historical importance however, especially paintings, were lost, due no doubt, to the overcrowded condition of this building.

“The Lodge notices were delivered in person by the Tyler as late as 1895, at which time the Tyler was requested to serve all

notices thereafter between Chestnut and Walnut Streets, and the river and the hill, the others to be mailed or otherwise served. Previous to that time he delivered notices only as far east as Eleventh Street and west to Second Street. The members of the outlying districts frequently complained of not receiving their monthly notices. The notices were printed on a strip of cardboard until 1911.

“The Lodge has had, altogether, 93 Worshipful Masters, eight having served two terms. Of this total, 36 are still living. There were fifteen Secretaries and fourteen Treasurers. There have been but four Secretaries since 1867, and at this time I wish to pay tribute to our present Secretary, Brother Michael S. Strebis, who has been a tower of strength and a wise councillor to thirty-one Masters of the Lodge. We sincerely hope that he may continue for many more years.

“There was a total of 1924 initiations, and 164 admissions. The present membership is 814. The high water mark was 944 members in 1930. The ten-year depression period of 1933 to 1943 saw a decrease in membership from 902 to 728.

“The Lodge has been properly managed financially. It has always been charitable to those in need. Many thousands of dollars have been expended for charity, not only within the craft, but to many public institutions and groups of suffering humanity. Scanning the list of charity dispensations, we note such historical events as ‘Confederate Raid on Chambersburg, Pennsylvania’; ‘The Chicago Fire’, ‘San Francisco Earthquake’, ‘Johnstown Flood’ and many others. For many years it was customary to present each of the widows of deceased members of this Lodge with a barrel of flour, a ton of coal and a turkey as a Christmas gift. Sometimes sewing machines were given to aid the widow in rearing the family.

“Chandler Lodge played a prominent part in all national conflicts since its founding. The list of members who served in the Union forces during the Civil War, is, unfortunately, not complete, but no less than 55 members participated, which was well over 25% of the total membership. Past Master Brother Joseph A. McLean, a Lieutenant Colonel, paid the supreme sacrifice. In the Spanish-American War, which was of comparatively short duration, six members enlisted immediately. In World War I, 41 members were in the

various branches of the armed forces. One member made the supreme sacrifice. In World War II, 37 members participated.

“Since Chandler Lodge was constituted, five additional Lodges were constituted in the city, and five in the county. The most recent are Puritan Lodge No. 740 and Boyertown Lodge No. 741. Both lodges were organized in 1925. The total membership of all twelve lodges in the city and county was 5,082 on St. John’s Day, 1947.

“Our founding fathers had as their goal a stronger and a more active craft. They believed that this could more readily be attained with the organizing of an additional Lodge. Greater participation would mean increased interest and greater devotion to the principles of Freemasonry. So, in conjunction with the mother Lodge, Chandler Lodge aided in organizing other Lodges in the city and county, and in carrying on the work of the craft in its original excellence and simplicity, and governed by the customs, rules and regulations as they were in the beginning.

“In reviewing the records it is very apparent that this Lodge has served the community, and indeed the country, in a most acceptable manner. It has fulfilled every expectation of its idealistic founders and the membership can well congratulate one another and take great pride in their membership. The record of the past is a distinct challenge to the membership of the future that can not be ignored. From the excellent character of the membership at the present time, as in the past, and with the solid foundation prepared for future building, we do not hesitate to say that the future is indeed secure.”

Commenting on the history of the Lodge, as prepared by Past Master Brother Fake, The Right Worshipful Grand Master said:

“Now we can realize, after hearing this history of Chandler Lodge, how great is the heritage of the membership of this lodge. I congratulate the historian and Worshipful Master Glase and his fellow members on the excellent record of Chandler in the century just closed. We hope Chandler will continue to go forward in the new century of its life, and we wish you continued success and God-speed.”

Closing the Grand Visitation, the Grand Lodge officers vacated their stations and retired, and the officers of Chandler Lodge resumed their places and formally closed the Special Meeting.

ANNIVERSARY BANQUET

The third and final feature of the Chandler Lodge Centennial celebration was the anniversary banquet at 6 o'clock on Saturday, May 8, in Rajah Temple ballroom. After the fifty-year members, the aged and the guests had taken advanced positions, the brethren in numerous files entered the banquet hall. At the head marched the Grand Marshal, whom the Grand Lodge party and the Lodge officers immediately followed. Each of those privileged to be present beheld a scene whose beauty is never to be forgotten. The ballroom, the stage, the guest table before it, and the long tables extending the length of the great hall, bore a profusion of graceful and beautiful flowers, above which shone the Masonic Emblem and the words "Hundredth Anniversary, Chandler Lodge, No. 227, F. & A. M." Amid the beauty of the flowers towered a huge birthday cake, whose tapering form, as if clad in white and pink, resembled the fairy queen of an enchanted garden. Meanwhile, sensuous strains of music from a hidden orchestra delighted the throng. The combined effects of beautiful sight and sound so ravished the senses that for a time the room became vocal with audible exclamations of pleasure.

Honor guests were the Right Worshipful Grand Master, George H. Deike; District Deputy Grand Master William G. Brosman, and other officers of the Grand Lodge. The guests included also the officers of all the other lodges in the Seventh District, and the principal and vice-principals of the Reading School of Instruction.

Worshipful Master John D. Glase was toastmaster and conducted the event with outstanding ability and dignity. He addressed the assemblage, introducing the guests of honor and expressing his appreciation of the honor of serving as Chandler's master in its 100th anniversary year. He said, in part:

"Brethren, I am very proud to be the Master of Chandler Lodge on the occasion of the celebration of its One Hundredth Anniversary. It is a privilege and an experience which I shall remember with a great deal of pleasure and satisfaction for the remainder of my life.

"Chandler Lodge has now reached the point where we can state with justifiable pride that our Lodge has worked under the Ancient Landmarks of Free Masonry for one hundred years without interruption. I purposely stress the words 'without interruption' because we of Chandler, together with our brethren of all lodges in our great

and free country, have been so fortunate in that our Masonic activities have not been forcibly interrupted, as they have been in certain other parts of the world. I have been told that during World War II when the enemy marched into a new city or town, one of the first things they sometimes did was to seek out the Masonic Temple. The enemy then compelled the citizens to assemble in the streets in front of the Temple, where they read their orders of occupation to them and then proceeded to burn the Temple before their very eyes as a symbol of their authority. It was heartening to hear at several recent Grand Lodge meetings that, while the physical lights of Free Masonry may have been temporarily dimmed in these places, the spiritual lights never allowed themselves to be extinguished, and that many of these Lodges are now springing to life and labor again.

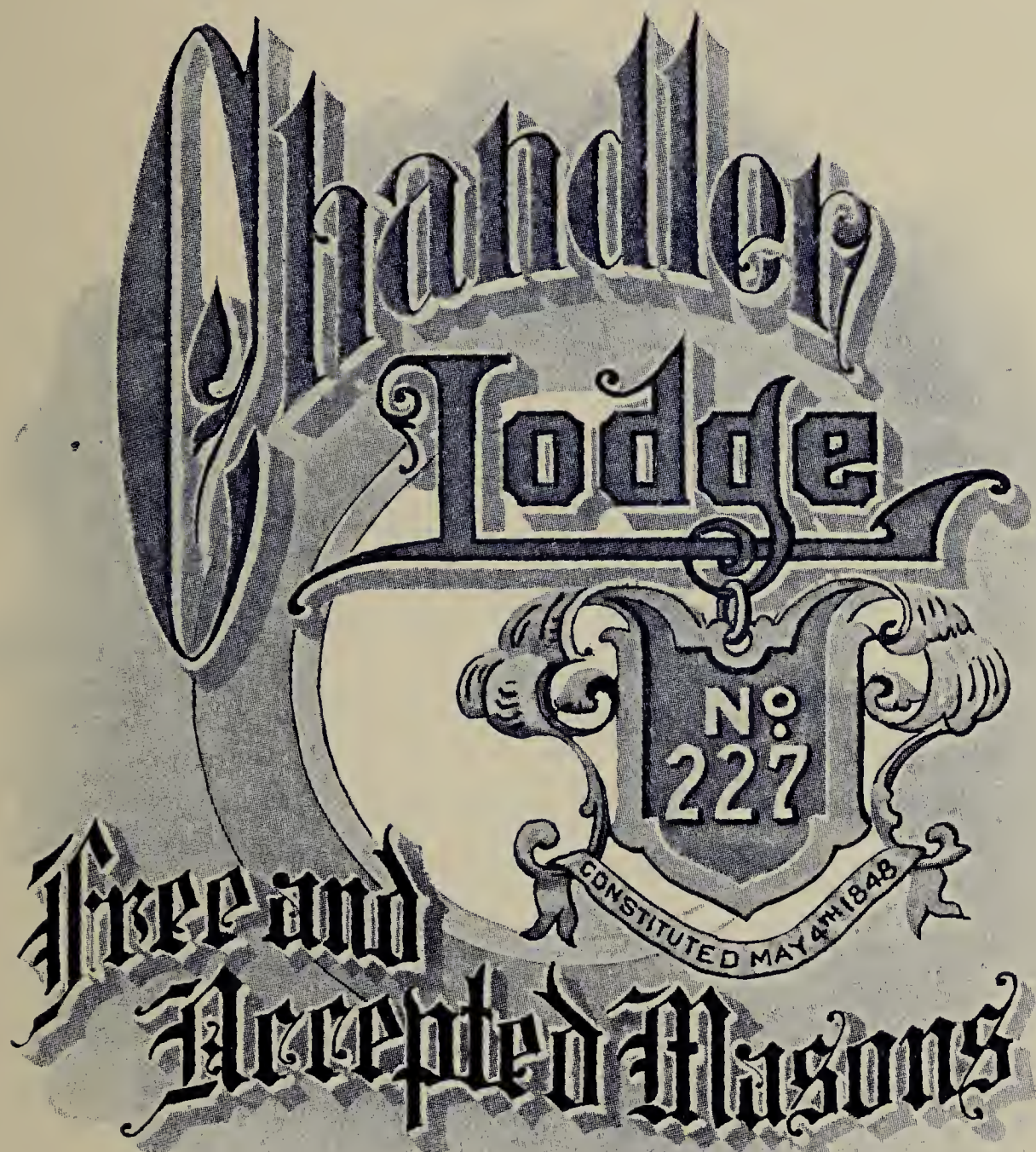
“The World today needs the lessons and teachings of Free Masonry more than it has ever needed them before. Friendship and brotherly love and the will to work together side by side in peace and harmony are great ideals which we all sincerely hope will become a world-wide creed long before Chandler celebrates its two hundredth anniversary.

“In 1848, Chandler Lodge No. 227 was constituted and commenced its work under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Today, in 1948, we proudly celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of our Lodge. I know I speak for every one of us when I voice the fervent hope and conviction that in the year 2048 Chandler will be able to look back upon two hundred years of uninterrupted work and activity in the furtherance of the teachings of our great and beloved fraternity.”

Grand Master Deike congratulated Chandler Lodge on attaining its one hundred year mark and said he regarded it “a privilege to have been invited, with fellow officers in the Grand Lodge, to attend the celebration and to take part in so notable an occasion in Masonic affairs.”

District Deputy Brosman spoke briefly, recalling compliments paid by Grand Lodge officers to the Reading School of Instruction, and adding his own felicitations to the officers and teachers in the school on the excellence of the work done in presentation of degrees. He presented the well wishes of the other lodges of the district to Chandler Lodge and their hopes for its future welfare and success.

One Hundredth Anniversary
1848 - 1948



STATED MEETINGS
FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH
MASONIC TEMPLE
READING, PA.

MAY 8, 1948—6 P.M., D.S.T.
RAJAH TEMPLE BALLROOM
READING, PA.

Program

Toastmaster

BROTHER JOHN D. GLASE
Worshipful Master

Invocation

BROTHER THOMAS B. SMYTHE
Chandler Lodge No. 227

Singing America

DINNER MUSIC

QUARTETTE

“The Troubadours” of Philadelphia

Introduction of and Remarks by the Right Worshipful Grand Master
BROTHER GEORGE H. DEIKÉ

Presentation of the District Deputy Grand Master
BROTHER WILLIAM G. BROSMAN

ADDRESS—“Thoughts While Flying High”
BROTHER CALVIN H. WINGERT
Chandler Lodge No. 227

BENEDICTION

BROTHER THOMAS K. LEINBACH
Chandler Lodge No. 227

Menu

Grapefruit-Maraschino

Hearts of Celery

Green Queen Olives

Carrots

Garden-fresh Radishes

Anniversary Soup

Roast Turkey with Cranberry Sauce

Candied Sweet Potatoes

Green Baby Lima Beans

Fresh Asparagus

Fresh Garden Peas

*Hearts of Lettuce
with Russian Dressing*

Vanilla Ice Cream with Fresh Strawberries

C o f f e e

Salted Nuts

Cigars

Mints

Cigarettes

Ginger Ale

Worshipful Master—JOHN D. GLASE
General Chairman—JAMES C. EYLER

History Committee

Earl E. Fake, Chairman
Carl A. Focht
Claude H. Glase
Ralph W. Kinsey
Walter S. Ludwig
John G. Rothermel
Forrest R. Shanaman
Thomas B. Smythe
Fredrick R. Snyder

Music and Entertainment Committee

Elmer D. Miller, Chairman
Paul E. Glase
Harry E. Graul
Charles E. Hoffmaster
Stanley W. Loose

Printing Committee

Jacob F. Hertzog, Chairman
Lyman H. Houek
Harry D. Korb
I. Carroll Regar

Reception Committee

Harold G. Painter, Chairman
Russell F. Albright
Joseph H. Hasbrouck
John C. Hiester
Harry J. G. Schad
Douglass E. Weidner

Speakers Committee

Michael S. Strebig, Chairman
Edwin M. Fox
John D. Glase

Banquet Committee

Harry W. Hart, Chairman
Robert L. Baer, Jr.
Robert L. Hostetter
Warren R. Miller

Banquet Hall and Decorations Committee

H. Earl Sheetz, Chairman
Norman J. Bressler
Edward D. Dreas
Amos I. Fake
John H. Herbine
Thomas I. Hunsberger
Edward L. Kepner
Charles L. Kirn
Frederick J. Marks

Aged Members Committee

W. Wayne Weber, Chairman
Robert B. Bowman
Donald E. Metz
Harry W. Moyer
Herbert J. Muntz
Walter S. Strause

Visitors Committee

Leon A. Bowman, Chairman
William K. Bridegam
Ray E. Godshall
Jacob H. McConnell
John B. Stevens, Jr.

Worshipful Master Glase paid particular tribute to Brother James C. Eyler, general committee chairman, and Past Master Earl E. Fake, chairman of the historical committee, for their untiring and efficient service in preparing for the anniversary, along with their fellow committee members.

Brother Thomas B. Smythe, of Birdsboro, presented on behalf of the lodge a large bouquet of flowers to Worshipful Master Glase.

Music was furnished by a specially selected orchestra under the direction of Brother Lester R. Yeager; the Masonic Chorus of 45 men, led by Brother Charles E. Hoffmaster, sang "Stout Hearted Men", Romberg, and "Soldiers Chorus", from "Faust", Gounod. Singing by "The Troubadours", an unusually excellent quartet of Masonic brethren from Philadelphia, was especially enjoyed by the brethren. The members of this quartet were E. Raymond Fredericks, baritone, Past Master of William C. Hamilton Lodge, No. 500; George W. Lewis, Jr., first tenor, Kensington Lodge, No. 211; William Hutchinson, bass, of Phoenix Lodge, No. 130; and Harry W. Nelson, second tenor, of Mozart Lodge, No. 436, with Amos M. Heacock, pianist, also of Mozart Lodge.

Special song sheets containing twenty-nine popular selections were printed for the occasion, and under the capable leadership of Past Master Brother Elmer D. Miller, over 650 male voices united in a rendition which was most pleasing and inspiring. Grand Master Deike was thrilled, as all must have been, and expressed the opinion that he had never heard better singing and the brethren rewarded him for the compliment by repeating his favorite song, "Moonlight and Roses".



REV. CALVIN H. WINGERT

The Rev. Calvin H. Wingert was born in Mahanoy City and attended the Reading Public schools. He is a graduate of Reading High School, class of 1923, June; Franklin and Marshall College, and Lancaster Theological Seminary. He did postgraduate work in Columbia University and the University of Pennsylvania. He was assistant city chemist of Reading in 1923 and 1924.

Brother Wingert was senior Chaplain of Reformed Church Chaplains in World War II. He has served congregations in Reading, Norristown, Washington, D. C., and Canton, Ohio. While in Washington he served Grace Dutch Reformed Congregation, of which Theodore Roosevelt, years before, was a member. His Canton congregation, which he is now serving, is the largest single unit in the Evangelical and Reformed denomination, with more than 2,000 members. His mother, Mrs. Sallie A. Wingert, resides in Northmont.

Brother Wingert was made a Mason in Chandler Lodge on November 1, 1932. His services as a speaker at Masonic functions are in great demand.

The anniversary address, "Thoughts While Flying High", by Brother Calvin H. Wingert made a memorable impression and won the instant acclaim of "Masterpiece". His address, in part, was as follows:

"THOUGHTS WHILE FLYING HIGH"

"Right Worshipful Grand Master, Members of the Grand Lodge, Worshipful Master, Brethren:—

"It is an unforgettable privilege to share with you in the joy that is ours on this memorable occasion—the One Hundredth Anniversary of our beloved Chandler Lodge.

"The invitation to address you at this Centennial came to me as I was preparing to leave the States on an invitational tour of inspection of religious facilities for the Army, Navy and Air Forces in the Caribbean Area. Thus I related some of my experiences to my responsibility this evening. The result is: a few of my 'Thoughts While Flying High.'

The physical is important, but the
spiritual has its own importance.

"As I embarked at Mobile, Ala., for a night flight across the Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean Sea, to Albrook Field, Panama, I was greatly impressed by the many precautions taken for the safety and care of the physical. Detailed briefing was given on what to do in case it was necessary to abandon the plane in the sky or after having 'ditched' it on the water. Every conceivable need and device had been provided to care for the physical needs. We were equipped with 'Mae Wests', a safety belt (a most unaesthetic looking device that went around you, but despite its name it had nothing to do with Hollywood), and after fastening safety belts we were ready for the take-off. Many additional evidences for the care for the physical were apparent. A rigorous testing of each one of the motors took place. A multitude of lights marked the long pathway necessary for this heavy transport plane. Signals passed from plane to tower, directions in crisp, unmistakable form were given and when every conceivable precaution had been taken, we were ready for the flight up yonder. The screaming motors pulled the plane forward, faster, faster, and then in answer to the question in every passenger's mind, the plane rose into the blue of the Southern skies.



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BANQUET ON MAY 8, 1948

"The physical is important and every device of human ingenuity to serve and save it is pleasing to Him who has made our bodies the tabernacle of His spirit, but, the spiritual has its own importance, and the question arises, 'Are we as thoughtful for the serving and saving of the spiritual as we are in our concern for the physical?'

"Masonry is concerned about the physical. It strives for the perfection of the physical as an ideal that benefits all of life, but Masonry does not allow a man to forget the spiritual. The centrality of the altar and the spirituality suggested by the altar's lights impress upon the mind of every Mason the equal if not the over-arching importance of the spiritual to a Mason's life and to the social life in which he lives.

"World War II, whose frightful cost will be with us for generations, was fought in no small part because some nations emphasized the physical and deliberately dwarfed the importance of the spiritual.

"The trestle board of each Mason has on it a plan for the ultimatum of our dual nature. The neglect of the physical or the spiritual is a violation of something very basic in Masonry.

This is a Dark World, but there
are lights burning in it.

"Our plane rose higher and higher and after reaching the desired altitude it leveled off and flew on through the night toward the Canal Zone. The 'bucket' seat of loose canvas was not conducive to relaxation and sleep. The hours dragged on and on. I looked out of the nearby port hole in the plane's side and beheld again and again the same sight—a darkness over the whole scene, penetrated here and there by a few bright stars.

"The second 'Thought While Flying High' came to me, 'This is a dark world!' Professor Sorokin, of Yale, has written a book called 'Man and Society in Calamity.' He says the world is dark and will become darker unless moral heroes arise to save us. The world of today is not creating many moral heroes in those positions of influence where their moral heroism can direct the great decisions before society. The ominous clouds of another conflict hang like a pall upon the spirit of men who would be free and of good will toward all men.

"The darkness of our world is deepened by the lags between what we have and what we are as persons. We have cosmic gadgets of great power, but little of the cosmic sense of the solidarity of the whole human race. That is a serious lag in us. We have highly developed and specialized scientific knowledge and little common sense in how to use our knowledge. That is a serious lag in us. We have a complex social, political and economic world order and our spiritual powers have not kept pace with our inter-relatedness and dependence upon each other. That is a serious lag in us.

"Luther Burbank has said that only man and one species of the ants make systematic and annihilistic war. To which one can say, 'we are certainly keeping poor company.' Yes, this is a dark world, but there are lights, and this evening I salute the lights. They are the promise of a bright, peaceful, and harmonious tomorrow. The light of the stars in the Southern Cross reminded me of the lights in our world by which we live and in which are our hopes.

"We think, on this happy occasion, of those brothers in our fraternity who have gone before us. There were brothers who organized our lodge, laying the foundations upon which a hundred years of history have been laid. In them was light. There were brothers who through the trail of a century have perpetuated the lodge and lived its precepts in the community about us. In them was light.

"But human personality, while possessing light, is but the dim reflection of Him of whom the blessed St. John says, 'In Him was Light.' The Lion of the tribe of Judah, even Jesus Christ, He is the LIGHT in our dark world. It is His Light which penetrates our darkness and provides the power for those needed changes in us which by nature we resist. This is a dark world, but we hail the light towards which slowly but surely we are moving.

The Truth is always
with us.

"The sunrise I saw from the plane, in the Southern skies, was a spiritual experience. The colors defied description. Out of a lake of greens, blues, yellow, orange and gold, all distinct yet a part of a whole, came the morning sun and over the face of it a beautiful cross of dazzling brilliance. The traveller in the desert sees the oasis, and often discovers it to be a tantalizing mirage. This cross

was no trick of wishful thinking. The light was so arranged that it was there, a brilliant cross like unto the cross of Jesus, set against the sun. The words of a Psalmist came to mind, 'Though I take the wings of the morning, Thou art there.' The redeeming purpose of the Architect of the universe follows us. Truth is always with us. The truths of Masonry, so dramatically presented to us in the ever beautiful story of our craft, have a way of lingering in the mind, and influencing life, long after one's degrees have been received and a man can proudly say 'I am a Master Mason.' Masonry makes a man a better man, father and citizen, by the experiences he has had and the truths he has received.

"The light of the sun illuminated the silver wings of our plane, and the propellers as they raced in their airy circles, long before the light had reached the watery depth below us. The higher you ascend the earlier the light reaches you and the longer it lingers with you. The higher you ascend the more light you receive. That is true spiritually, and true Masonically.

"Each of us remembers especially this evening, some brothers now living and some in the immortal who had in their souls the strength of Masonic light. It was not simply a matter of degrees received, but of light and truth possessed by them.

"Chandler's Century of history has been fruitful in blessing the lives of those who came to her doors seeking light, and who, given that light, were sent forth into our city and the world to bless and help the race of men in its upward march.

"Each of us must resist with all that is in him the inexcusable tendency of movements which black out truth, to eliminate all light but THEIR light. Masonry has in it the spirit of freedom, in all things, governed and guided by those precepts that come not from the mind of mortal men alone but from the revelation of the Great Builder Himself. Our light is the reflection of His Light and in this there is no coercion but the coercion of self respect and brotherly love.

There Are Rough Spots

"As we neared our destination we met with those not too pleasant experiences called 'rough spots.' To the novice it would seem that the plane falls as it reaches vacuous areas where there is no air

for the propellers to sweep against. The scientific explanation is that the plane comes upon the upward thrusts of a rising column of air and then falls as it passes over it. Explain it how you will—there were rough spots.

“It would be interesting accurately to contrast 1948 with 1848, when Chandler was founded. Even a hasty comparison would show that when the lodge was founded, in the ante-bellum days, there were few of the major developments and conveniences so common today. The railroads were in their infancy, the telephone was hardly known, radio was unknown, air travel was a dream. On the political side movements well known today were mere theories. Democracy was girding its strength. The concept of slavery was poised for a major testing. The Union hung in the balance. ‘To be or not to be’, that was the question. At least six wars have come and gone in the nation’s history in this century. The science of inventing and the fruits of laboratory and workshop have produced changes during the century which will be surpassed only by those in the century before us.

“Changes are the rough spots that tempt us to growth and strength. Man and his institutions, as well as the fir tree, needs the North Wind. There were rough spots in Chandler’s history. The Civil War nearly depleted the strength of the struggling fraternity. There were seasons of comparative well-being and then the rough spots of recessions.

“Just so, in the lives of those who are Chandler’s sons, the passing of time brought the inevitable rough spots that are the elements in human existence. It is at those times especially that the witness of our brotherhood is most outstanding. The friendly word of sympathy and encouragement passed from brother to brother—who can measure the value of that? The succor given in the midst of misfortune by an almost unknown hand—who can measure the meaning of that? As the ancient operative Mason made a thing of beauty out of rough hewn stones, so the Mason has ever used the rough spots of life as occasions for extension of Masonic works and faith.

The Shoreline Will Be Beautiful.

“It is natural that through the long night of flight the weary traveller would think of the beauty of the shoreline, with its safety, after the dangers of trackless watery wastes. To our anxious eyes

no shoreline ever looked better. The regularity and beauty of Coco Solo and Colon made an appeal to our hearts, and suggested our final thought 'While Flying High,' i. e., God has other shorelines for us to which in his love and mercy he will lead us. The sprig of acacia dropped into the graves of our brothers departed is our way of saying there are other shorelines. The fraternity is endless, reaching from here into the hereafter. Treasured in Masonry is the Lion of the Tribe of Judah. The Mason sees in him an exemplification of the power of the Great Giver of Life. This is the basis of our hope and the assurance of an ultimate realization of our faith.

"Our memories dwell on the pages of a century. With this as our foundation, our hearts look forward to the joys of coming days. The challenge to growth in the century before us rises in our souls as a poem beautifully said and now to be beautifully lived.

"Build thee more stately mansions, O my Soul
While the swift seasons roll
Let each new temple nobler than the last
Shut thee from Heaven with a dome more vast,
'Till thou at length art free
Leaving thine outgrown shell,
By Life's unresting sea."

Brother Wingert's outstanding address concluded the program. At the close of this truly memorable anniversary celebration, a slice of the great cake was placed in an envelope and handed to each person.

The entire picture—hall decoration, mellow music, masterful addresses, excellent food, flawless service—blended so perfectly, that the members and guests generally acclaimed it to have been the outstanding event of their time.

